

Minutes

SW Neighborhood Steering Committee
Greentree-Meadowood-Orchard Ridge-Park Ridge-Prairie Hills Neighborhoods
Wednesday, September 5, 2007
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 McKenna Blvd
5:45 – 8:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

SW Steering Committee Members: Kara Boeldt, Ernest Horinek, Tim Johnson, Douglas Kammann, Marge Liss, Larry Luther, Tom McKenna, Karen Sielaff, and Bryan Summ.

Excused Absence: Sandy Erickson, Joel Kupferberg, Durrell Ramer, De’Kendra Stamps, Rick Stirr, and Lisa Subeck.

Absent: Ann Barker, Susan Clay, and Christie Howell-Yrios.

III. Public Comment

Marlys Miller spoke in favor of including the recommendation for a planning council in the neighborhood plan. Discussion followed.

IV. Approval of the July 31, 2007 Minutes

Ernie Horinek made a motion to approve the July 31, 2007 minutes. Tom McKenna seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

V. Review allocation of CDBG funding from the July 31 Steering Committee meeting and look at possible additional projects that could be funded.

Discussion by the Steering Committee. The Steering Committee voted to reallocate CDBG funds as follows:

\$20,000 for capital enhancement to Lucy Lincoln Hiestand garden and establishment of up to three new gardens at Hammersley Park, Meadowwood Park and Park Ridge Greenway. Specific use will be left to the neighborhoods who apply to the gardens panel and the decisions of the gardens panel and CAC.

\$70,000 for downpayments to eligible homebuyers in the Betty's Lane/Theresa Terrace area with the condition that buyers have homeowner education and that repaid loans are used for future downpayments in the Betty's Lane/Theresa Terrace area. If funds are not being committed within the first 9 months of operations then the target area should be expanded to the Russet/Balsam and Park Edge/Park Ridge areas. No CDA owned property would be eligible for assistance.

\$20,000 for park improvements of Hammersley Park including clearing of brush and creation of walking paths and lighting.

\$10,000 low interest loan program for eligible homeowners for security improvements for their homes.

Any funds remaining after project completion of the gardens or park improvement project are targeted to the downpayment program.

VI. Planning for the September 15 Open House at Elver Park.

Open House will be from 10:30 a.m. to Noon at Elver Park Shelter #2. Will bring boards displaying current recommendations; also a flowchart to show how the CDBG process allocation works. Show something about implementation too. Bring Open House announcement to the September 13 Police listening session.

VII. Adjournment

Douglas Kammann made a motion to adjourn and Marge seconded the motion at 8:00pm.