

**CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
2012 LCDA DEVELOPMENT GRANT
APPLICATION RANKING TOOL**

*(Based upon Metropolitan Council LCDA program criteria – subject to
final Metropolitan Council approval)*

Land Use Criteria

- Development that intensifies land use and increases density to maximize the potential of the site (8 points)
- Development that is designed in relationship to transit and transportation by:
 - Providing internal pedestrian convenience and efficiency through the design, layout and features of the design of the project (5 points)
 - Providing efficient, effective, thoughtful pedestrian access to transit through connections to, and/or integration of transit stops/access points in the design (5 points)
- Development that connects housing to employment, education, retail, and other uses (8 points)
- Development that provides a range of housing densities, types, and costs (8 points)
- Development that is environmentally sensitive and that conserves, protects, and enhances natural resources (8 points)

Tools and Processes (8 points)

- Does the proposal include tools and processes to ensure successful outcomes, such as: regulatory tools, public/private partnerships, community participation, and local leadership?

Innovation and demonstration (30 points)

- Does the project include innovative elements or demonstrate new development concepts, both for the City and the region? Does the project serve as a model of LCDA goals?

How LCDA funding is a catalyst (10 points)

- The extent to which LCDA funding is a catalyst to implement the overall project

City priority and readiness (20 points)

- Is the development consistent with City policy and plans?
- Does the developer have site control?
- Is the project/site a priority within its geographic sector?
- Has the City Council taken action in support of the project?
- Are there City funds committed to the project?
- What percentage of overall project funds is committed?
- Is there documented neighborhood review of the project?
- Does the project have an unspent LCDA award from a prior year?
- Will the project be able to utilize the LCDA grant within the 36-month grant term?