

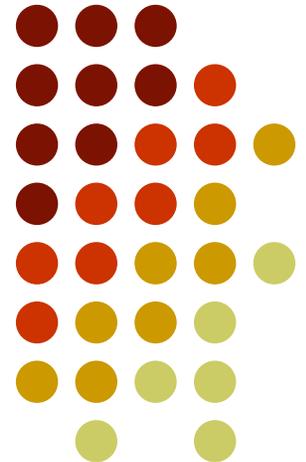
Framework for the Future

NRP Work Group report



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proposed “Framework for the Future”



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www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/communications/communityengagement



City Council Action

November 2, 2007



Created an NRP Work Group to “facilitate decision-making relative to Tracks 2 and 3 of the work plan for Community Engagement System Improvements and Related Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Decisions.”

The NRP Work Group was charged with establishing a City position on:

1. A proposed administrative structure to support community engagement activities;
2. Expectations of services community or neighborhood organizations would provide through citizen participation contracts; and
3. Extending or not a formal program of using discretionary funds for community-initiated projects.





NRP Work Group Members

- **Council President Barbara Johnson**
- **Council Vice-President Robert Lilligren**
- **Council Member Paul Ostrow**
Chair, Ways & Means/Budget Committee
- **Council Member Betsy Hodges**
Chair, Inter-Governmental Relations Committee
- **Robert Miller**
Director, Neighborhood Revitalization Program
- **Cara Letofsky**
Policy Aide, Office of Mayor R.T. Rybak



The NRP Work Group



- **Met 9 times** over 8 weeks
- Began by identifying **each member's interests** related to the continuation of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) **and outlining a program to address those interests.**
- Developed a proposed Framework for the Future
 - Represents broad agreement
 - Contains an **outline of a structure** for the **continuation of the NRP beyond 2009** and its **connection to the broader community participation** work of the City.





Framework for the Future

- Administrative funding to neighborhood groups
 - Neighborhoods provide a basic City service for which it is the City's responsibility to provide the necessary funding
 - Approximately \$2,000,000 for neighborhoods
 - Up to \$1,000,000 for the City's administrative costs
 - Funding options to be explored should be within the City's control

Framework for the Future



- Establish a Neighborhood Investment Fund (NIF)
 - 2 components:
 - Funding allocated to all neighborhoods to help address neighborhood-identified priorities
 - Funding allocated competitively for specific projects
 - Funding may be expanded or reduced based on the availability of funds.
 - Funding will depend on the actions of others (primarily the State Legislature and other taxing jurisdictions).
 - Other funding sources potentially include grant funds and participation by state, county, and federal governments.
 - There are a number of funding options to be explored for the NIF although they are not fully within the City's control.



Proposed Organizational Structure



- Community Participation Governance Board (CPGB)
 - Resident-controlled
 - Oversees both the NRP and the City's community participation efforts
- Community Participation Division
 - Includes a Director and Program Staff (City community participation staff and NRP staff) within the City Coordinator's office

Focuses on:

- Community participation within the City;
- NRP staff support to neighborhoods;





Proposed Next Steps

- Distribute the proposed “framework for the future” to neighborhood groups and other key stakeholders in early January 2008
- Gather input during the first quarter of 2008 through a variety of methods.
- City officials will brief the City’s legislative delegation and other jurisdictions during this time.
- The NRP Work Group will continue to meet to review the input received and to refine the proposal based on this input.

Action for today



Approve distribution of this proposed “framework for the future” to neighborhood groups and other key stakeholders for gathering input during the first quarter of 2008.

