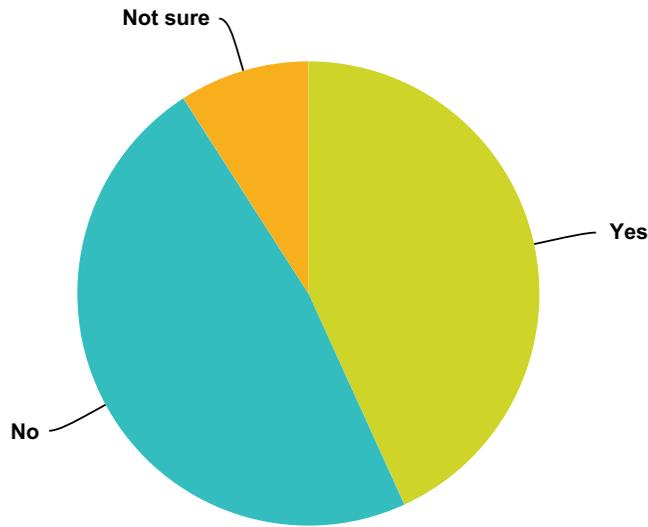


Q1 Should there be an expectation of neighborhood organizations to expend most or all of their Phase I and Phase II funds within seven years of their plan approval?

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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	43.18%	19
No	47.73%	21
Not sure	9.09%	4
Total		44

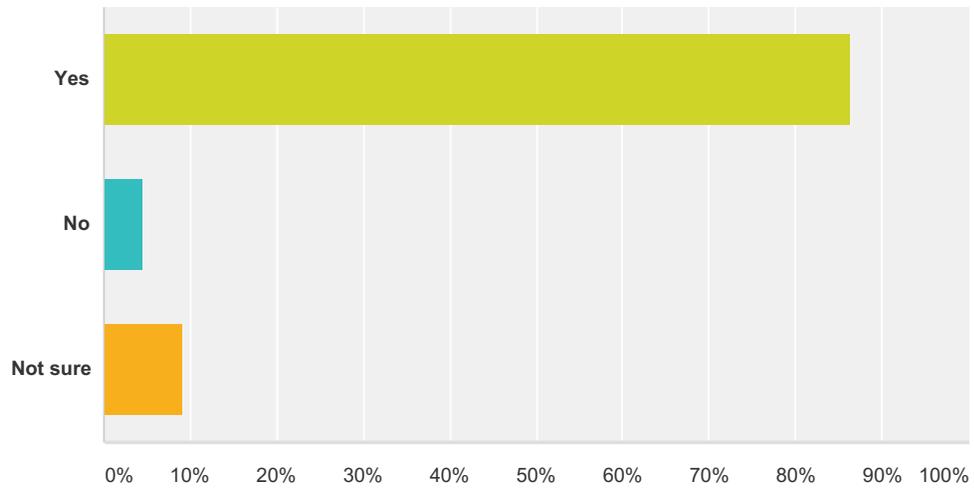
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1	Yes, however knowing that situations may change, the plan should be re-assessed at the 7 year mark if the funds are unspent, and updated accordingly.	5/4/2015 7:37 AM
2	When NRP plans were written, there was no end date given that the funds need to be used by. Many neighborhoods were frugal so their money would last for a extended period of time.	5/1/2015 4:06 PM
3	Many neighborhoods are frugal and wish to keep money available for projects for years to come and for the next generation of leaders. We we told that we should be cautious with our funds and did so. Those who were frugal and careful should not be penalized for being good stewards of their funds.	5/1/2015 4:03 PM
4	Priorities change, staff changes, the process can be confusing.	4/30/2015 2:08 AM
5	Too many variables enter into the implementation of these plans to reasonably expect expenditure within seven years: board turnover, tenuous partnerships with other organizations, loss of outside partnership funds, lack of volunteers to implement all aspects of the plan simultaneously or near simultaneously, etc.	4/29/2015 12:42 PM
6	I think 10 years is more reasonable. Some neighbors have large projects with multiple partners. If the project doesn't go as planned, the neighborhood has to go to plan B or back to the drawing board.	4/28/2015 2:59 PM
7	I think that guidelines that recommend expenditure of funds in a certain time frame is useful. That way, if certain programs, e.g. loans that many neighborhoods offered which few accessed, which were demonstrated to not be meeting needs in the neighborhood, would be reviewed and revised or abandoned in favor of more appropriate plans in a more timely manner.	4/27/2015 9:34 PM
8	I think there should be instances, or waivers, when this may not be possible. However, if a neighborhood is able to garner other funds to replace NRP Phase I or Phase II funds they should be given an exception. This is an example of good work by the neighborhood. If a neighborhood is not actively operating or spending their NRP funds a reallocation to other neighborhoods could occur.	4/27/2015 9:55 AM
9	It is intended to help neighborhoods and not spending it helps no one.	4/24/2015 1:42 PM
10	We have funds coming back into these funds. If they were expected to be expended, I assume they would be closed out and money coming back into these accounts would have no place to go.	4/23/2015 4:13 PM
11	Yes; however, I'm not sure if this should include program income. Many neighborhood organizations have loan (or other) programs that generate income. Is it the purview of the City to not allow the program income to roll back into the loan programs, or can neighborhoods continue to rely on this as a revenue source past 2021? In other words, is the amount of program income for individual neighborhoods worth keeping the loan programs active after 2021? This may have to be answered on a case-by-case basis, as well.	4/23/2015 2:41 PM
12	Each neighborhood org should be assessed independently, to decide if they have used/not used funds responsibly or if they've just been 'lazy' or 'stingy'.	4/22/2015 1:11 PM

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13	Sometimes neighborhood- level work, especially with development, takes many years.	4/22/2015 6:15 AM
14	If neighborhoods are a partner in a housing project or using funds to leverage a capital expense project or partnering on a project with MPRB, timeline and expenditure are out of the hands of the neighborhood.	4/21/2015 11:58 PM
15	It often takes time to find the right partners to do the plans laid out in the various phases. There is also an expectation that the neighborhoods should use tools that revolve the funds so that they will be solvent for projects going forward. Any use proposed to "use up" the money is counter intuitive.	4/21/2015 11:38 PM
16	Te Heritage Park Sumner-Glenwood Neighborhood never received it's fair share of NRP Phase II funding for neighborhood use. We are just now seeing \$50,000 of our Phase II funds which where allotted to us 10 years after the fact. This funding came from he University neighborhood which has in my estimation, approximately \$500k give or take in it's neighborhood NRP coffers. This neighborhood has never had a community/neighborhood organization and never will. Meanwhile. Heritage Park/Sumner-Glenwood is expected to survive on \$33k a year which is not enough money to provide staffing for a neighborhood that is over 80% of color with the majority speaking an east African language. HPNA is expected to perform at the same level as established neighborhood organizations who have hundreds of thousands of dollars in their coffers while we are penniless. Yet, we are expected to do the same work. Heritage Park is a highly unique neighborhood, probably the most unique neighborhood in all of Minneapolis because of it's history with the Hollman Decree, the fact that 95% of the land is controlled by either the City of Minneapolis or MPHA. We have very few foreclosures, very little to nonexistent crime and no one is moving out because this is a great neighborhood. Many do want to move in, but nothing has been built for them to move into. This formula produces a cycle of consistent and perpetual under funding to a highly vulnerable neighborhood which is the cities newest in that it is only 10+ years old. The current funding formula is unjust and it is inequitable. It causes unnecessary disparity and is constantly wreaking havoc on a small board of neighbors who are just now starting to understand what it is that is required of them. If neighborhoods can't get it together to spend their funding in a timely manner, maybe they are over funded and the funding should be re distributed	4/21/2015 4:21 PM
17	...although an expectation is different than a requirement. Program Income should certainly extend the timeframe, as would project timing, etc.	4/21/2015 4:17 PM
18	Would this include funds that are returned as part of a loan program that can be used again? And what if the neighborhood is able to leverage funding to help it last longer?	4/21/2015 4:09 PM
19	Has anyone made the case why there should be a time limit or rush? No, they have not. If a project is good, it's good. If a project is not, then the neighborhood organization will tell you -- on its own schedule -- it is no longer needed or no longer timely and they can then ask to do a plan mod. Too often the delays are caused by CITY departments themselves -- for example, very slow to return phone calls, reluctance to meet with neighborhood volunteers/committees/staff, failure to respond in a timely and consistent fashion, causing neighborhood delays or loss of momentum and loss capacity and disillusioned volunteers, inter-governmental coordination failures, and other similar issues. 99 percent of the time, the "delays" are caused by government failures -- so take a look in the mirro, City of Minneapolis. Other times, what you perceive as a delay is not a delay -- the money is just going out slowly but surely as dedicated volunteers and staff research the best ways to design and tweak their PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE CITY programs and projects. Do not punish fiscally responsible stewards of taxpayer money. Please explain why the city is even asking about this. Appears like vultures circling for the kill to get the money. Must be another stadium to fund.	4/21/2015 4:07 PM
20	With an allowance for special circumstances and with the assistance and guidance of NRP staff when needed. Our NRP funds have been expended in a timely manner because we had lots of amazing assistance from NRP staff.	4/21/2015 3:52 PM

Q2 Should the City policy recognize and allow for external circumstances in which neighborhoods may take longer than seven years?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	86.36%	38
No	4.55%	2
Not sure	9.09%	4
Total		44

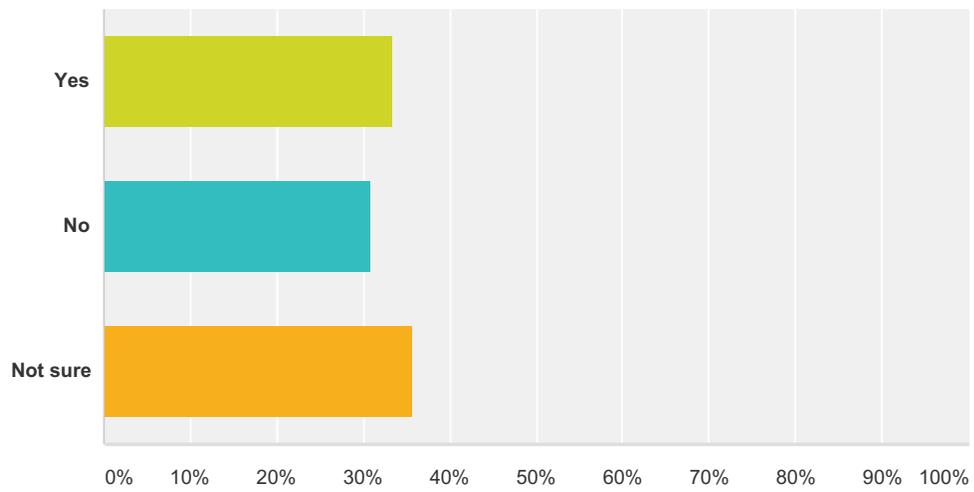
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1	This is reasonable to allow for special circumstances.	5/4/2015 7:37 AM
2	External and internal. Not everyone is like Powderhorn which ran thru it's money an then got other neighborhoods funds. If you run out of funds that should show everyone that the neighborhood was careless and acted irresponsibly.	5/1/2015 4:03 PM
3	Maybe they should stop changes to the processes, making it less confusing to the volunteers that work within the organizations. Fund more staff so the great staff who work for NCR have less neighborhoods to focus on	4/30/2015 2:08 AM
4	Many entities with whom neighborhood organizations partner operate under much longer time-frames or fall through altogether. For instance, the city might decide to pull a transportation project for which a neighborhood designated matching funds - and after quite some time has passed! Essentially, the neighborhood might think their funds all but spent, until suddenly the money is restored when the project collapses, but the neighborhood would now have significantly less than seven years to re-think and re-implement the plan for which those funds were dedicated. Conversely, the neighborhood might identify a promising project that does come to fruition, but the scale of the project dictates that the neighborhood's portion of the project is set more than seven years after the neighborhood organization's plan approval. In fact, such a project might even be hoping to leverage neighborhood NRP funds in the project's proposal, and it would be a shame for these potential partnerships to be undermined by a deadline for fund expenditure.	4/29/2015 12:42 PM
5	Absolutely! Some neighborhoods face set-backs such as organizational turn-over or projects that don't quite work out as intended and may need more than seven years. If a neighborhood is actively trying to spend NRP funds, I see no reason to limit to 7 years. If a neighborhood is just sitting on money, that's a different issue and should be addressed by NCR. Help set neighborhoods up for success - if they are struggling, what can NCR do to help? I'd rather see more effort spent on those discussions rather than enforcing a timeframe.	4/28/2015 2:59 PM
6	Please see above.	4/27/2015 9:55 AM
7	Provided that there is momentum on using the funds to follow Phase I and II plans, and neighborhood organizations can show progress, then there should be an allowance for extending any timeline the City proposes.	4/23/2015 2:41 PM
8	they can recognize and allow for external circumstances regarding any prior funding. however, going forward, neighborhoods should commit to expending their funds within a certain time and fulfill that commitment regardless of any external circumstances.	4/23/2015 8:17 AM
9	Each situation is unique!	4/22/2015 1:11 PM
10	Often times a plan includes the city or the park board or some other government agency that has not added the project that the neighborhood wants to their CIP. There are neighborhoods that have plans such as bicycle connections in the areas of town that are still waiting for implementation by public works. They should not be penalized because they do not control the project.	4/21/2015 11:38 PM
11	Playing field is always changing	4/21/2015 6:45 PM

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12	Answer above.	4/21/2015 4:07 PM
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Q3 Is seven years reasonable? Or do you prefer some greater or lesser time-frame?

Answered: 42 Skipped: 3



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	33.33% 14
No	30.95% 13
Not sure	35.71% 15
Total	42

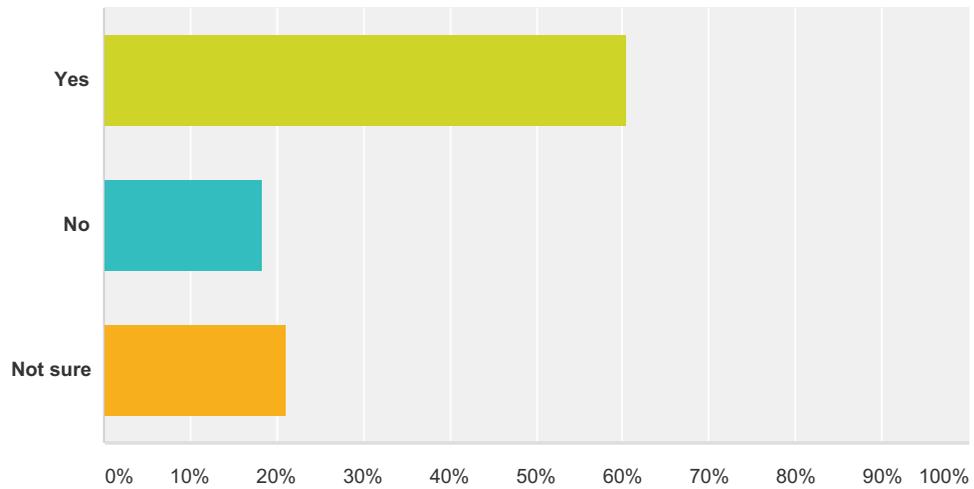
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1	Seems to be about right.	5/4/2015 7:37 AM
2	Either no time restriction or more. Neighborhood can't always control what vendors/partners are doing, like waiting for city or CLIC, etc. Program income should be exempt for this entire discussion.	5/1/2015 4:45 PM
3	You are asking two different questions. Is seven years reasonable? - answer - no. Do you prefer some greater or lesser time-frame? answer - yes There needs to be some flexibility with neighborhoods. Each situation is unique to the capacity of the neighborhood.	5/1/2015 4:06 PM
4	Greater time frame is required. This should not be a race to spend every last dime just to spend it. What is wrong with savings and careful thought and waiting for changing circumstances to dictate expenditures?	5/1/2015 4:03 PM
5	Again, with more support funds may be used in a more efficient time frame. Side note: we get help whenever we ask but the staff is stretched thin	4/30/2015 2:08 AM
6	A much longer time-frame is not only reasonable but necessary, perhaps 15 or 20 years.	4/29/2015 12:42 PM
7	10 years seems more reasonable.	4/28/2015 2:59 PM
8	I think so many factors can influence plans that flexibility is important. I do think guidelines that state an expectation that funds will be used by xxx time or a plan revision made by xxx time if it is evident that funds are not being used as anticipated.	4/28/2015 8:34 AM
9	I think 10 years would be more reasonable.	4/27/2015 9:34 PM
10	I would be good with 5-7 years.	4/24/2015 1:42 PM
11	Timeframe should be unlimited as long as spending is under control.	4/23/2015 4:13 PM
12	It really depends on the content of the Phase I and II plans. There are some projects or programs that could be completed in a relatively short period and others that take considerable more—especially when a neighborhood organization relies on the cooperation of several City departments for the same project. One idea would be to work with specific organizations that have large sums of money available to put together timelines that work with each individual Phase I or Phase II plan (rather than grouping all neighborhoods with remaining funds in the same timeline).	4/23/2015 2:41 PM
13	10 years would be more appropriate	4/23/2015 6:50 AM
14	why do we need time frame?	4/22/2015 2:02 PM
15	I think I would lean longer, with stipulations & oversight.	4/22/2015 1:11 PM
16	I think it should be a case by case bases for each neighborhood. Depending on the neighborhood some may take more time than others to use funding and create the processes necessary to distribute funds.	4/22/2015 10:43 AM
17	You already asked this question. This is odd that you would ask it again.	4/21/2015 11:58 PM
18	The time it takes is the time it takes. If the city thought that the project was not possible why would they pass the plan with the project included? There is responsibility on the part of those who approve the plans to help direct the neighborhoods in directions that are attainable.	4/21/2015 11:38 PM

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19	Each neighborhood is different and should work on their own timeline. Some neighborhoods have staff and can expedite funds faster some run on volunteers and work at slower paces.	4/21/2015 8:20 PM
20	Neighborhood should be educated on long term planning..to date there has been no time frame and all we get from city are threats and actually coup of taking over the money	4/21/2015 6:45 PM
21	The program's phases were billed as ten years. (However, in terms of funding, the first phase was 11 years and the second phase was nine years. In terms of plans, the first phase was 14 years and the second phase was six years. In terms of the spreadsheets, Phase I was five years and 70% of Phase II was three years.) I like ten years because that's how it was talked about at the time.	4/21/2015 4:17 PM
22	This asks two different questions. I think each neighborhood should be evaluated on how effectively it leverages and invests its funding in creating a more livable, vibrant neighborhood.	4/21/2015 4:09 PM
23	No time constraint unless the original state legislature law placed limit on it. Then go back and lobby to extend it.	4/21/2015 4:07 PM

Q4 Should all neighborhood organizations be required to review plans after seven years regardless of amount of funds spent, or only if they have a minimum amount of unspent funds?

Answered: 38 Skipped: 7



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	60.53%	23
No	18.42%	7
Not sure	21.05%	8
Total		38

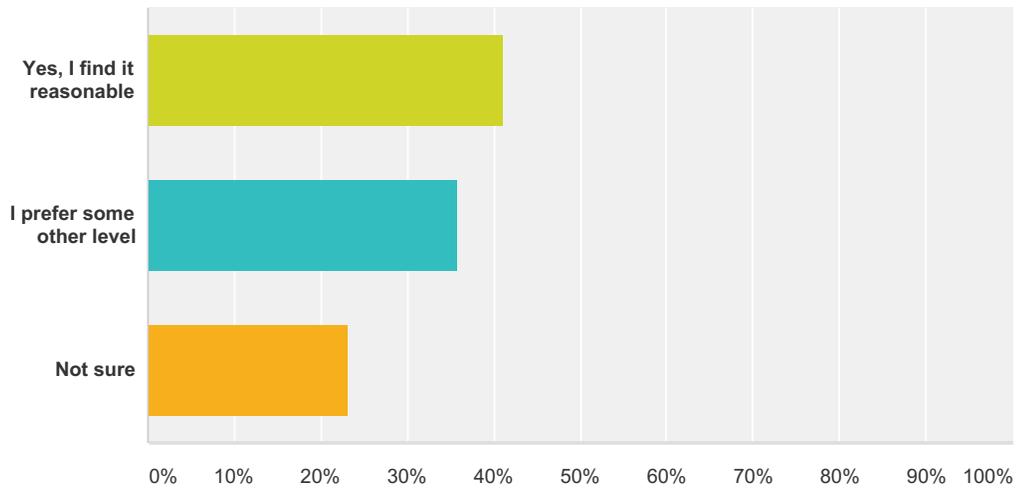
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1	This could go either way. A review might be beneficial even in the even of successful plan execution, to review what went well and document lessons learned for the future.	5/4/2015 7:38 AM
2	They are already reviewing plans, informally and formally, directly and indirectly. Address this issue with neighborhoods that are not spending any money, not a broad brush indictment of all neighborhoods. Talk to neighborhood organizations first about these "issues" and you may realize they are not issues.	5/1/2015 4:48 PM
3	Yes, if a minimum threshold has not been spent, neighborhoods should be required to review plans after seven years.	5/1/2015 4:10 PM
4	If the plan is still working why cause the extra work. If the plans are working the neighborhoods do modifications to the plans and therefore the review is already happening.	5/1/2015 4:06 PM
5	While a long time scale is necessary to ensure wise expenditure of funds that accounts for external variables, there is probably some value in asking neighborhood organizations to account for progress in the implementation of their plans. It does seem that a follow-up accounting of this kind should be limited to organizations that do not seem to be making progress in implementing their plans - perhaps 25% or less of funds expended, contracted, or otherwise designated.	4/29/2015 12:50 PM
6	I think it's a good idea to review plans. It also is a good opportunity for NCR to offer assistance to those struggling neighborhoods.	4/28/2015 3:00 PM
7	This question is not worded correctly. If the question is in relation to a neighborhood, having not spent NRP Phase I funds then the answer is yes; in fact, I would say if this were the case a three year review should be completed to ensure the neighborhoods priorities are correct. If this question is asking if a neighborhood only has a small amount of funds left in their NRP II plan should they have to review plans - then No; obviously they are using the funds for a proper purpose.	4/27/2015 9:59 AM
8	This is a very poorly worded question! This question is not a yes/no question. All neighborhoods should be required to review plans after seven years, regardless of amount of funds spent.	4/26/2015 3:53 PM
9	I think a plan review on some level after 7 years is a good idea. With the demographics of our neighborhoods changing, it's good to know what the people who live here now want from their neighborhood organizations, instead of relying on a plan that was written 10-15 years ago.	4/23/2015 2:45 PM
10	All NO's should be required to review plans after seven years regardless of amount of funds spent. This is not a Yes or No question.	4/23/2015 11:34 AM
11	Reviewal is always a good idea; but use this reviewal as an opportunity to reassess & redirect, not as a way to scoop 'unnecessary funds'.	4/22/2015 1:12 PM
12	This is a very unclear question. What does it mean? We review NRP plans monthly if not weekly and use it for organizational goals and priorities. We were told it was a '10 year' plan and that is what we called the CLPC plan - a 10 year plan. Dropping in a random 7 year number makes absolutely no sense.	4/22/2015 12:01 AM

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13	I think the process allows for neighborhoods to reallocate funds throughout the process. If a neighborhood has changed its priorities I think that they will reallocate funds to projects that will reflect their current needs. However, the Phase II requirement that 70% of the funds be spent on housing initiatives may present a hardship in neighborhoods that do not have failing housing infrastructure. Has the city done a study to see if the money allocated to NRP to the current date has met the legislated mandate for the 20 years of the program?	4/21/2015 11:47 PM
14	The neighborhood should be reviewing the unspent funds on a regular basis	4/21/2015 6:47 PM
15	this isn't really a yes or no answer. They should only have to review their plans if they hit some threshold. Why make a group go through all of that for \$2.84.	4/21/2015 4:23 PM
16	They are already doing this. Why make yet more administrative burden for these organizations by doing a review in a form you dictate? At most, your many NCR staff could sit down with staff and briefly ask what is going on, or keep in touch with the neighborhood organization so they already realize what the roadblocks are and help to unblock them. Keep it simple. Put this money to work on programs and projects, not more administrative burden.	4/21/2015 4:10 PM
17	Plan reviewal every 7 years is a good idea. It does not mean they have to redo completely, though.	4/21/2015 4:10 PM

Q5 How complete should a neighborhood plan be after seven years? Is the previous threshold of 85% expended or 95% contracted reasonable, or do you prefer some other threshold level?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 6



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes, I find it reasonable	41.03% 16
I prefer some other level	35.90% 14
Not sure	23.08% 9
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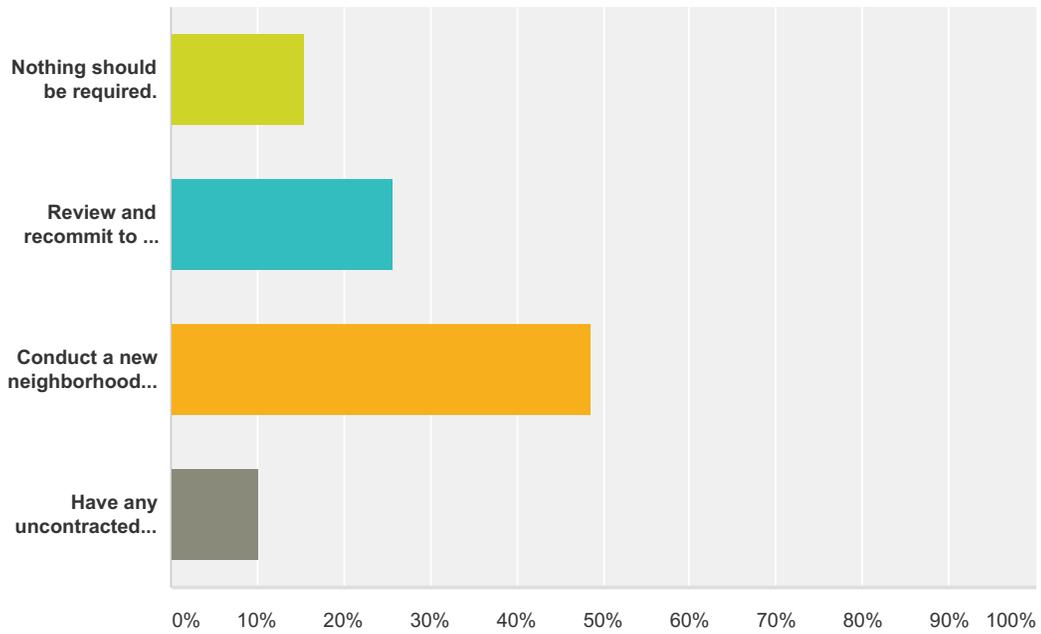
#	If some other level, what would you suggest?	Date
1	50 percent, depending on circumstances. But talk to neighborhood first to show your staff has a handle on what is going on before you issue edict that reports must be written on time-money wasting admin work.	5/1/2015 4:48 PM
2	Leave it up to the neighborhood. The City needs to let the neighborhoods do their organizing thing. A small town to the State of Minnesota is what a neighborhood is to the City of Minneapolis. Neighborhoods are why people live in Minneapolis. It is where we are connected and have community.	5/1/2015 4:06 PM
3	Long-term investments, partnerships with city, county, state, and federal agencies, and reinvestment of program income can all influence the amount expended or contracted, and many times those factors are beyond the control of the neighborhood (or even held up by the city). No formal threshold should be applied to the neighborhood plan.	4/29/2015 4:12 PM
4	Lower. I'm not sure just how low that should be, particularly since I'm not sure how the city accounts for expenditures like a revolving loan fund - are principal payments received on the loan considered to be unexpended when the intention is for LOANS to be paid back into that account (i.e., it's a revolving loan program, not a grant program)? Depending on how that's accounted, I think a neighborhood organization could be very active, very responsible, and making great progress on the implementation of its plan and still appear to have a high NRP fund balance.	4/29/2015 12:50 PM
5	I prefer 100% complete at 10 years, exceptions allowed.	4/28/2015 3:00 PM
6	I find it reasonable that a neighborhood is actively working and organizing; however, if supplemental funds are being used an extension could be given.	4/27/2015 9:59 AM
7	Neighborhoods should be pressured to spend money, yes. But senseless spending should not be the result of this pressure.	4/23/2015 4:14 PM
8	Again, I'm not sure one can lump all neighborhood organizations together when talking about plan timelines. It really depends on what those plans entail and how long each of those programs/projects will take. Putting one percentage on all Mpls neighborhoods organizations does not seem fair.	4/23/2015 2:45 PM
9	A lot of neighborhood organizations do not have the capacity to accomplish this.	4/23/2015 6:52 AM
10	As stated before base it on each neighborhood and the circumstances in that neighborhood.	4/22/2015 10:44 AM
11	There are many reasons funds may not have been used. The city has strict, and often changing expectations of how funds are used. The city also continues to decrease funding - and has clawed back some funds. These all make funding hard to use. There should be no strict rule.	4/22/2015 6:20 AM
12	These are 10 year plans. Why are we not using that number?	4/22/2015 12:01 AM

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13	Again, not all circumstances can be controlled by the neighborhood and the neighborhoods should be taken on a case by case basis. If a neighborhood is trying to leverage funding and that takes a few years longer, isn't that worth the wait? This program gave the decision making power to the neighborhoods so they could be creative and many great projects have come out of this out of the box thinking. Is there some problem that the city is not sharing with the neighborhoods regarding the process?	4/21/2015 11:47 PM
14	This should be addressed in the long range planning for the expenditure of the funds	4/21/2015 6:47 PM
15	I think the level should be closer to 80%	4/21/2015 4:22 PM
16	Depends on neighborhood. Should be individual to neighborhood circumstances.	4/21/2015 4:10 PM
17	Slightly lower - 75%/85% might be more reasonable	4/21/2015 3:53 PM

Q6 What process should a neighborhood organization follow if, at the end of seven years, it has not contracted or expended the minimum required amount?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 6



Answer Choices	Responses
Nothing should be required.	15.38% 6
Review and recommit to an existing Phase I or Phase II plan.	25.64% 10
Conduct a new neighborhood-wide plan review process for input before recommitting to existing Phase I or Phase II plan strategies or reallocate remaining funds to other existing or new priorities.	48.72% 19
Have any uncontracted funds reallocated to other neighborhoods.	10.26% 4
Total	39

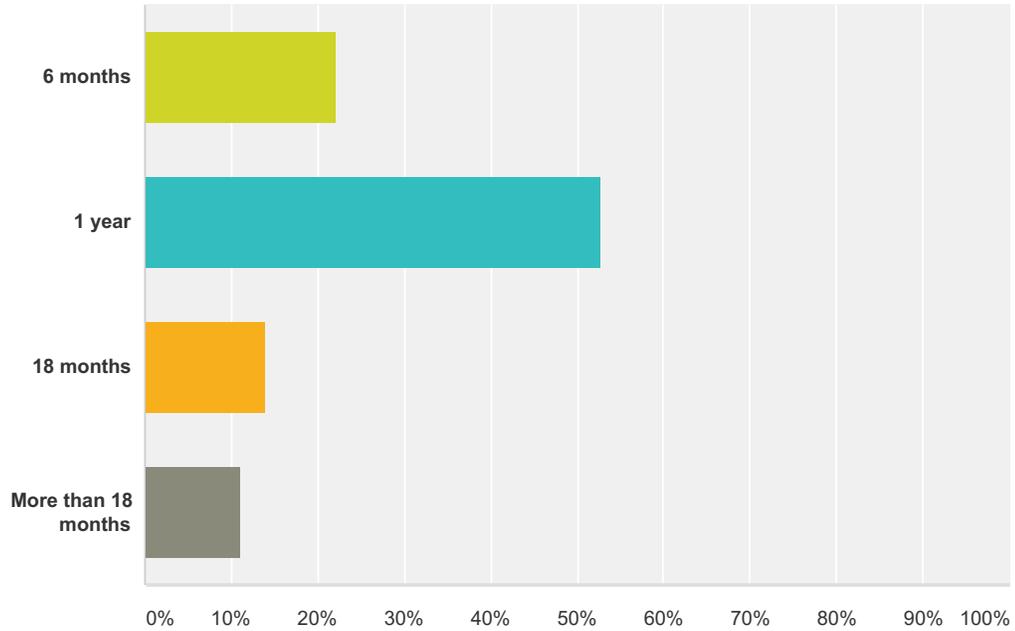
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1	The plan modifications already are reviews. As new boards are elected new priorities come into play and change happens as the neighborhood needs change.	5/1/2015 4:07 PM
2	I think a new review process is important. The degree to which full neighborhood involvement might vary by amount unspent. From recent experience in our neighborhood it takes almost a year to id task force, explore options, gain board and neighborhood support before implementation.	4/30/2015 2:56 PM
3	I do think a review is not a bad idea, though it should be an assistance to the neighborhood, not a punitive measure. Certainly those funds should not be reallocated to other neighborhoods, which could exacerbate neighborhood inequalities. Potentially, the neighborhoods losing funds would be those whose residents have the least leisure time to contribute to a volunteer board and organization. On the flip side, those who stand to gain might not only be in more privileged neighborhoods, they might have had more spendthrift boards whose expenditures were large and quick, but not wise or efficacious. Obviously to punish neighborhoods with uncontracted funds is to undermine the fairness and local control in neighborhood revitalization that the program was instituted to accomplish. Maybe if after the board's review or accounting of its plan implementation is complete, if the city finds success lacking, the neighborhood relations people could more directly assist the neighborhood in developing a reasonable plan.	4/29/2015 12:58 PM
4	There should be two answers to this question. First, depending on the circumstances neighborhoods who are active and utilizing these funds "when needed" they should review their activities. However, if a neighborhood is just "sitting" on NRP funds and do not have an active plan that is working (NCR should first tell neighborhoods they have 1 year to ramp up their work) then funds could be allocated to other neighborhoods that are actually doing the work.	4/27/2015 10:02 AM
5	This should include putting together a timeline for execution of plan programs and projects.	4/23/2015 2:46 PM
6	just reallocate remaining funds to other existing or new priorities. conducting a new plan review would take too long and defeat the purpose of any time limit.	4/23/2015 8:19 AM
7	I think it's important to be seeking neighborhood input; needs & priorities can change in 7 yrs. time & it's important to reflect the neighbors' opinions in the spending of the funds.	4/22/2015 1:13 PM
8	The neighborhood plan may be more expensive or difficult to accomplish than expected. The neighborhood should be allowed to explain why funds were not spent and if the explanation is reasonable, keep the funding.	4/22/2015 6:22 AM
9	Give me a break. Leave neighborhoods alone. By Statute and by design there was no end date. We want our funds back from the neighborhoods who spent theirs and then took ours thanks to Council action.	4/22/2015 12:03 AM

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10	The neighborhoods should quit being penalized for not spending quickly and having their funds re allocated. This is not a race this is a planning and implementation process. Fast does not necessarily mean good. The reallocation is just a really really bad idea and pits neighborhoods against one another.	4/21/2015 11:51 PM
11	Let the neighborhood decide what to do with their funds.	4/21/2015 6:47 PM
12	I assume that this one means that a group would need to check back in with the neighborhood if they fall short of the threshold. If that's what it means, I'm sticking with this answer.	4/21/2015 4:25 PM
13	What an embarrassing suggestion (option 4) coming from the City. Shame on you. Ditto for option 3 -- what a lot of money will need to be re-invested in "studying" the topic and then doing nothing different. As for option 2, neighborhoods are already doing this - maybe informally/internally, but they are already doing it. Neighborhoods routinely re-commit to these funding strategies every time they do a contract extension or plan modification. I can't believe you are even asking this stuff. The questions sound like they stem from someone (city council) who doesn't really even understand what the current process is, what the neighborhood plan review process is, how we get NRP money in the first place, and what the prime intention of NRP was originally. Please spend your time educating these city council members, not harassing neighborhood organizations over this petty attempt to get your mitts on money. I have talked to many Minneapolis residents over several years, and my sentiments are not unique just to me. These questions show a basic misunderstanding of the very nature of neighborhood organizations, how they function, and the work they do.	4/21/2015 4:17 PM
14	I don't think there is one easy answer here, but conducting some kind of modified neighborhood review process makes sense. Neighborhoods change. Organizations change. Seven years out we had Board members who had no knowledge of the original process, plus there had been some dramatic changes in the needs of the neighborhood. Again there needs to be good assistance from knowledgeable NRP staff to assist with this planning process and organizations need to be allowed to spend funds to complete the process.	4/21/2015 3:57 PM

Q7 If neighborhood organizations were required to conduct a neighborhood-wide plan review to recommit or reallocate funds, what is a reasonable time period for planning?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 9



Answer Choices	Responses
6 months	22.22% 8
1 year	52.78% 19
18 months	13.89% 5
More than 18 months	11.11% 4
Total	36

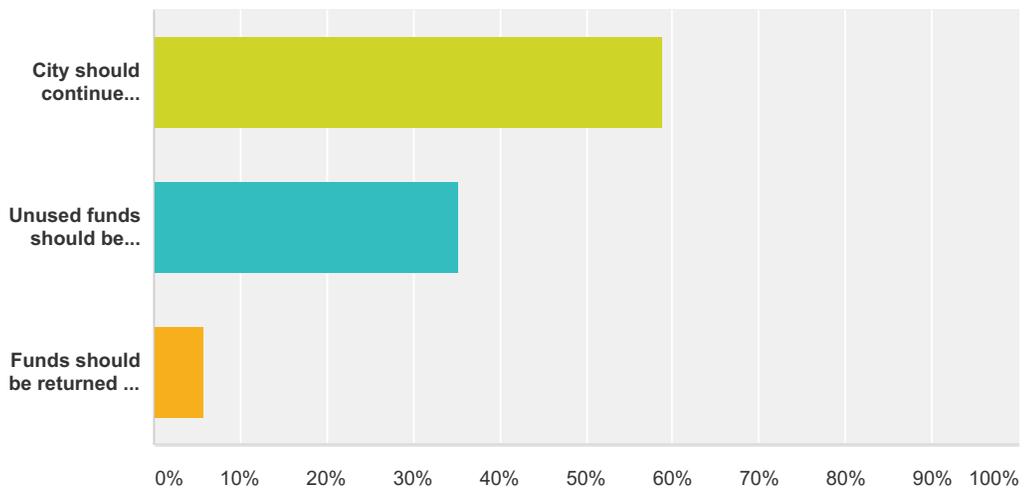
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Additional funding would be needed. There is no admin funding left.	5/1/2015 4:49 PM
2	This is not necessary to do a re-commitment plan or review. Neighborhood are dynamic and already do planning and reallocating without being forced to do it. The City is making extra work for the neighborhoods and this question shows that the powers that be do not understand the workings of neighborhoods and shows the City does not appreciate the naval gazing they are asking the good citizens to do for no real purpose.	5/1/2015 4:10 PM
3	See previous	4/30/2015 2:56 PM
4	6 months is too short: Scheduling of monthly neighborhood and board meetings to coordinate the review, followed by likely committee work, then neighborhood and board follow-up meetings could probably not be produced by volunteers to the city's satisfaction within 6 months. 18 months is too long: In that amount of time, finances might change significantly, entire boards could face election, programming between the onset of review and final submission could affect the progress of implementation or even the goals. 1 year is probably about the "Goldilocks zone."	4/29/2015 1:04 PM
5	Six months of planning and another six months for implementation.	4/27/2015 10:03 AM
6	In one-off situations, it may take longer than 6 months, but for most neighborhoods 6 months is enough time. During this process, detailed programs don't need to be drawn up, but the overall strategy and dollar amount can be agreed upon through wide-spread community engagement.	4/23/2015 2:48 PM
7	It should not be so much time to make the whole beast look different, but enough time to engage, learn & analyze needs & desires.	4/22/2015 1:14 PM
8	This is a terrible idea. Quit creating all these rules and making it so impossible to be involved on a neighborhood board. This is ridiculous. Move out of the way. Help neighborhoods do good work. Quit creating obstructions. Do a better job explaining what we do to council or hire someone who can.	4/22/2015 12:05 AM
9	It really depends on the neighborhood and the ideas out there. Very diverse neighborhoods who take their community engagement mandate seriously need time to do a through process.	4/21/2015 11:53 PM
10	Take a month to do a survey have meetings and plan accordingly	4/21/2015 6:49 PM
11	How about less than six months. Why not treat it like a modified plan modification process.	4/21/2015 4:25 PM
12	I suggest 50 years.	4/21/2015 4:18 PM

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13	6-12 months is reasonable. While 6 is usually long enough, sometimes it can take longer to get everything just right.	4/21/2015 4:11 PM
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Q8 What should happen if a neighborhood does not conduct a community-wide plan review in the required time?

Answered: 34 Skipped: 11



Answer Choices	Responses
City should continue holding funds for neighborhood until such a process is completed.	58.82% 20
Unused funds should be reallocated to other neighborhoods.	35.29% 12
Funds should be returned to City.	5.88% 2
Total	34

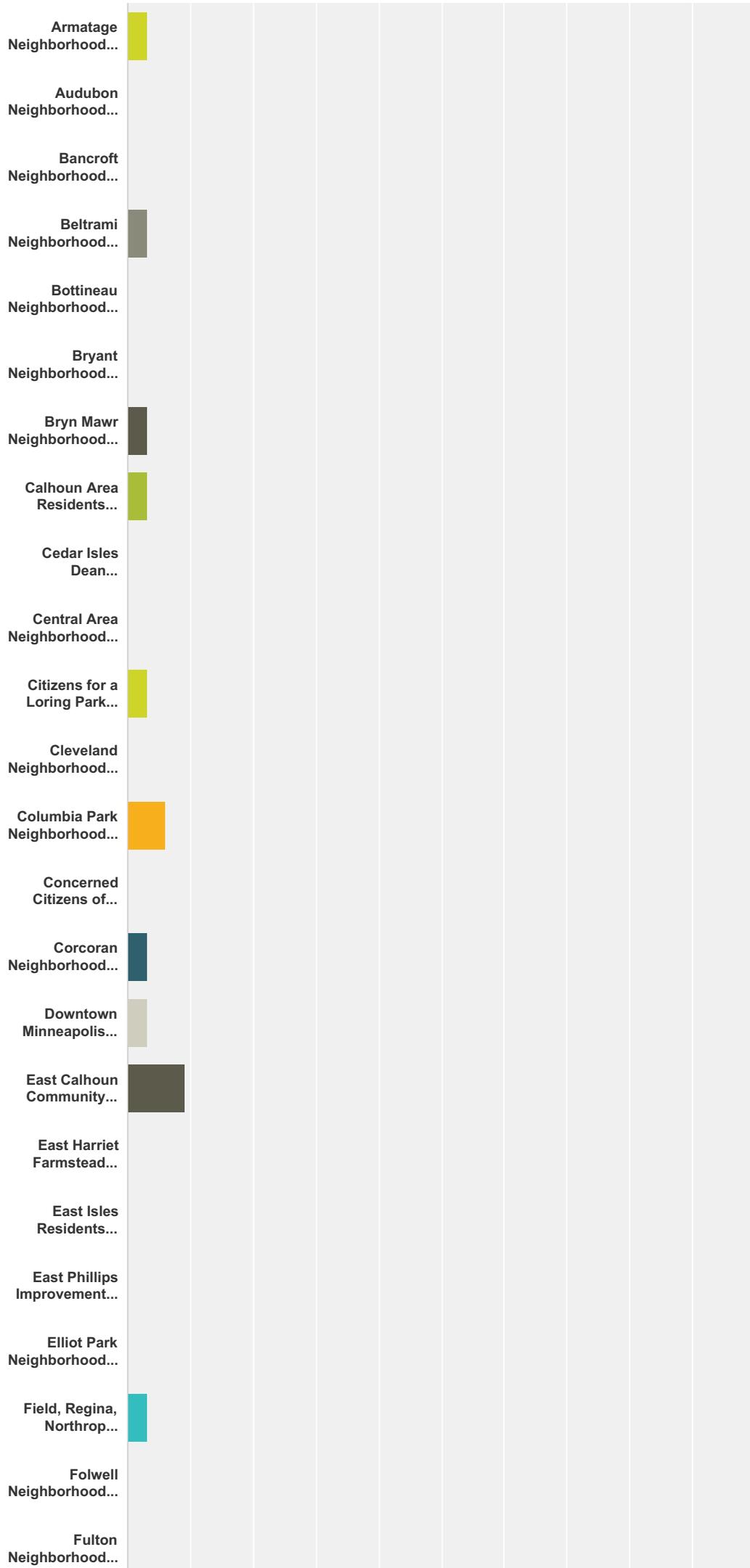
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1	The funding should not be removed from the neighborhood.	5/4/2015 7:39 AM
2	None of the above. Maybe a phone call by your staff to become versed in what the neighborhood is doing and "coaching" them if you can define a problem.	5/1/2015 4:50 PM
3	Let the neighborhoods function and encourage participation. There was no time to get community input as the time frame for this survey did not fall when the board could meet and discuss. The board was confused and upset that this survey appears to indicate a foregone conclusion to eliminate neighborhood funding in favor of cronyism and a district council type organization that existed prior to the NRP initiative. It is like we have a little paradise so lets ruin it. What is the City Council thinking.	5/1/2015 4:14 PM
4	The City should review the neighborhood's process to determine how close the neighborhood is to making the deadline.	5/1/2015 4:13 PM
5	Again, these processes should be assistive, not punitive. I appreciate the need for the city to wield a stick to ensure NRP plans are implemented, but threatening to take the funds back - particularly when there is no guarantee the city will expend those reclaimed funds on behalf of the affected neighborhood (and a guarantee of the opposite if other neighborhood organizations get the money!) - is not productive of NRP goals. More carrots, fewer sticks.	4/29/2015 1:07 PM
6	I think more has to go into a decision to reallocate funds or return funds to the City than just reviewing plans and conducting a community-wide plan.	4/28/2015 3:03 PM
7	This question has many variables. Did they once use the funds, but received another funding source that could dry up? Could the neighborhood commit to an action whereas "when funding from X is gone the neighborhood will use NRP funds to continue the operation.	4/27/2015 10:05 AM
8	Our neighborhood has not had a board capable of spending money in some time. The neighborhood should not suffer because the neglect of previous boards to act.	4/23/2015 4:16 PM
9	Before offering unused funds to other neighborhoods, the City should be required to notify all residents of the neighborhood. This way, after money has been reallocated, people cannot come forward and say they didn't know about the money, etc.	4/23/2015 2:52 PM
10	And funds may be used to proceed with the original plan. If a neighborhood is inactive in their use (not making any plans for plans, not thinking creatively for usage, not seeking neighborhood input, etc.) then some of the funds should go to deserving neighborhoods who are being more proactive & show real need.	4/22/2015 1:16 PM
11	These groups are run by volunteers who are tackling some difficult issues. Sometimes things take longer than expected.	4/22/2015 6:23 AM
12	Leave neighborhoods alone. By Statute there was no end date to spend the funds. How long did the Sears site take to do? How about Midtown Greenway? How about Eat Street? Train the new Council on what we do vs creating all these rules, policies and obstructions to our work. Very disheartening.	4/22/2015 12:07 AM

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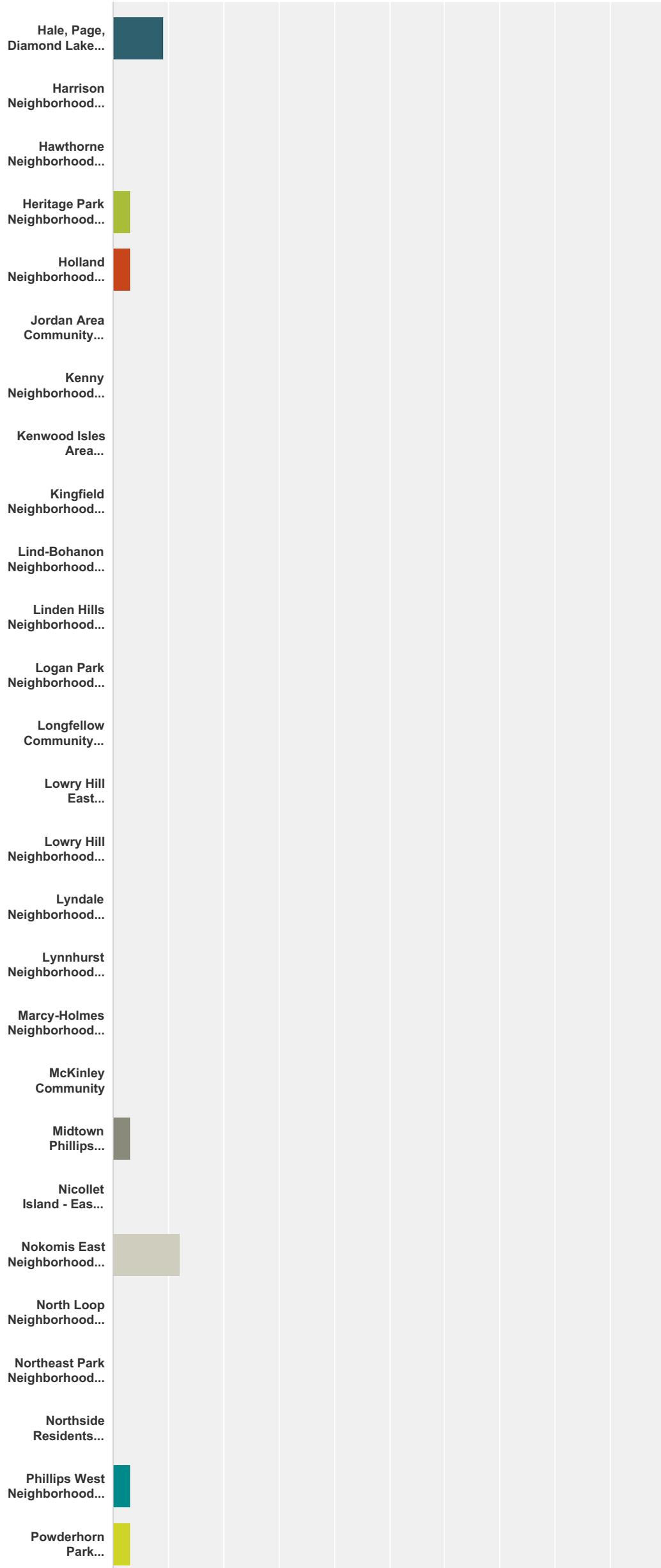
13	<p>If a neighborhood is taking more than the time allowed the city should offer assistance to make the process move along. Remember that many of the neighborhoods are incredibly diverse and often times are run by volunteers. The city is paying for an incredibly large NCR staff with many outreach specialists. Isn't this their job?</p>	4/21/2015 11:57 PM
14	<p>The neighborhood shouldn't be punished for the failure of the neighborhood group. The funds should still be reserved for the neighborhood, but held until the process is complete. If that doesn't happen in, say, a year, then the funds should be reallocated to other neighborhoods.</p>	4/21/2015 4:27 PM
15	<p>Neighborhoods already did a community-wide review to get funded by the city council in the first place. Then, they are reviewing on an ongoing basis as they work through their Neighborhood Action Plans, extending contracts, doing Plan Modifications, etc. No need for this extra layer of unneeded administrative burden. If you have some specific problem with some specific neighborhood organization's handling of the funds, take it up with that neighborhood and work out a plan of action; don't come after all of us for what appears to be some imagined problem or desire on the part of the city council to take away influence and funding from neighborhoods who don't kow-tow to them. That is what this appears to be. Again, shame on you, city council.</p>	4/21/2015 4:22 PM
16	<p>Again - simplistic answers to what could be a multitude of circumstances. If there is an active neighborhood organization that just needs more time to make changes, then the funds should be held for them. If there is no neighborhood interest in committing to the process to plan for the funds, then they should be moved into a special fund that can be reallocated.</p>	4/21/2015 3:59 PM

Q9 What Neighborhood Organization(s) are you affiliated with? (not required, but helpful). You may select more than one if appropriate.

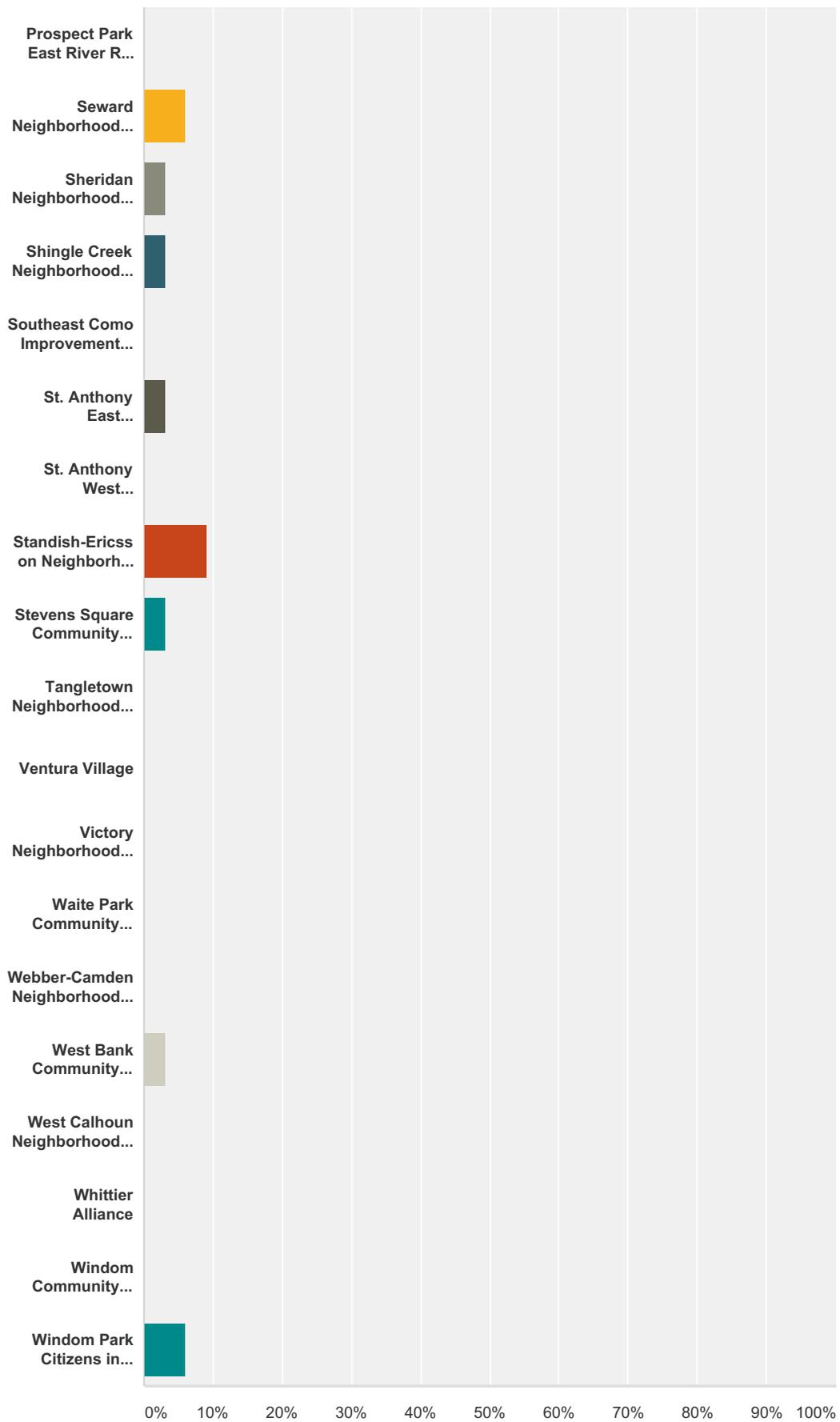
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Answer Choices	Responses
Armatage Neighborhood Association	3.03% 1
Audubon Neighborhood Association	0.00% 0
Bancroft Neighborhood Association	0.00% 0
Beltrami Neighborhood Council	3.03% 1
Bottineau Neighborhood Association	0.00% 0
Bryant Neighborhood Organization	0.00% 0
Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association	3.03% 1
Calhoun Area Residents Action Group	3.03% 1
Cedar Isles Dean Neighborhood Association	0.00% 0

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Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization	0.00%	0
Citizens for a Loring Park Community	3.03%	1
Cleveland Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Columbia Park Neighborhood Association	6.06%	2
Concerned Citizens of Marshall Terrace	0.00%	0
Corcoran Neighborhood Organization	3.03%	1
Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association	3.03%	1
East Calhoun Community Organization	9.09%	3
East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
East Isles Residents Association	0.00%	0
East Phillips Improvement Coalition	0.00%	0
Elliot Park Neighborhood, Inc.	0.00%	0
Field, Regina, Northrop Neighborhood Group	3.03%	1
Folwell Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Fulton Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Hale, Page, Diamond Lake Community Association	9.09%	3
Harrison Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Hawthorne Neighborhood Council	0.00%	0
Heritage Park Neighborhood Association	3.03%	1
Holland Neighborhood Improvement Association	3.03%	1
Jordan Area Community Council	0.00%	0
Kenny Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Kenwood Isles Area Association	0.00%	0
Kingfield Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Lind-Bohanon Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Linden Hills Neighborhood Council	0.00%	0
Logan Park Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Longfellow Community Council	0.00%	0
Lowry Hill East Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Lyndale Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Lynnhurst Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Marcy-Holmes Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
McKinley Community	0.00%	0
Midtown Phillips Neighborhood Association, Inc.	3.03%	1
Nicollet Island - East Bank Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Nokomis East Neighborhood Association	12.12%	4
North Loop Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Northeast Park Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Northside Residents Redevelopment Council	0.00%	0
Phillips West Neighborhood Organization	3.03%	1
Powderhorn Park Neighborhood Association	3.03%	1

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Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association	0.00%	0
Seward Neighborhood Group	6.06%	2
Sheridan Neighborhood Organization	3.03%	1
Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association	3.03%	1
Southeast Como Improvement Association	0.00%	0
St. Anthony East Neighborhood Association	3.03%	1
St. Anthony West Neighborhood Organization	0.00%	0
Standish-Ericsson Neighborhood Association	9.09%	3
Stevens Square Community Organization	3.03%	1
Tangletown Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Ventura Village	0.00%	0
Victory Neighborhood Association	0.00%	0
Waite Park Community Council	0.00%	0
Webber-Camden Neighborhood Organization	0.00%	0
West Bank Community Coalition / Cedar-Riverside NRP	3.03%	1
West Calhoun Neighborhood Council	0.00%	0
Whittier Alliance	0.00%	0
Windom Community Council	0.00%	0
Windom Park Citizens in Action	6.06%	2
Total Respondents: 33		