

# West 29<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction Project

## Open Street MPLS Summary

### Logistics

June 8, 2014

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Lyn-Lake Street Festival

Lyndale Ave S and Midtown Greenway



### Purpose of Event

The purpose of this event was to solicit input from the public on what improvements they would like to see on W. 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Materials and Participation

During this event, Lyndale Avenue traffic was closed to vehicular traffic from W. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street to W. 42<sup>nd</sup> Street. This gave participants the experience of a corridor that was car-free. Lawn chairs were provided for participants to sit in the street and conceptualizes potential design features for the reconstruction project. They were then invited to record their suggestions on stickers, and paste them on a poster board, or write their ideas on a white board. City Staff were available to describe the project and answer questions.

There were 29 individual responses written on stickers, and an additional 23 responses written on a white board.

### Common Themes

The responses include designing the street that catered to pedestrian and bike traffic. With this preference, participants also wanted to limit vehicle traffic in the area, by discouraging parking, through permits, or reduced lanes of traffic. The project should also consider adding green space and include street furniture. Responses also indicated a desire for creating a destination in the form of local retailers such as a farmers market. When designing this destination, public art should be considered to reflect the culture of the neighborhood.



