Nate Lockett, Willard-Hay, District 2

1. **How have your life, work and cultural experiences prepared you to be a neighborhood representative on NRP Policy Board?**

I have been a long time Northside resident since I was in 5th Grade, prior to this I lived in South Minneapolis. I went to High School at North Community High School. I have friends and family that are neighbors and community members. I live across the street from the home that I grew up in. I remember having Uncle Bills corner store and Lucille's Kitchen. I am an entrepreneur and small business owner. I work with community members and continually have conversations on how to improve our neighborhood. I want to be apart of the process when it comes to improving the Quality of Life in North Minneapolis and our Minneapolis Neighborhoods in general. As a community member that is passionate about seeing real change in North Minneapolis I believe it important to have a seat at the table and be apart of the conversations and the changes that will impact our community.

2. **How have you participated in your neighborhood organization?**

I have been apart of NRRC meetings in the past and have contributed within those meetings to the conversations about changes within or Neighborhoods. I have hear what it is that people would like to have and what some folks do not want to have. I think these insights are important as the Neighborhoods vision and Voice is what should matter when it comes to change.

3. **Describe why you want to serve on the NRP Policy Board.**

I believe being apart of these conversations is very important. I want what is best for our City as a whole. I believe that we can attain that with partnership and collaboration. NRP is vital in helping fund and shape what our communities look like and how Neighborhood Organizations get funded, I want to be apart of that conversation and bring our voice to the table.

4. **How do you plan to maintain a relationship with the neighborhoods you would represent if elected?**

I would start with having discussions with the neighborhood organizations first. Listen to what these organizations need and what they are doing and how NRP funding impacts these organizations. I would also engage with community remembers within these organizations to see what else they are looking to get accomplished and what they want within their neighborhoods and see if the NRP Funding is in alignment with their wants and needs.

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5. How do you plan to engage with underrepresented groups within your district if elected?

I think starting with the Neighborhood originations is important. I also think it is important to engage with community leadership to see what their needs are. I believe this approach is best as I am able to talk with folks from all walks of life. I think it is also important to understand who the underrepresented members/groups are, once clarity is shined on that aspect then a plan to action would be created to purposefully engage with those groups.

6. Please list any community-based organization(s) that you are currently involved in.

NRRC from a community member standpoint, I do not hold any official roles with any community-based organizations.

7. Please list all your current paid and unpaid affiliations.

I have none.

By signing this form, you waive your right to raise money, conduct phone banks, and produce campaign literature of any kind for the purposes of getting elected to the NRP Policy Board.

Signature	Nathaniel W Lockett
Date	1/22/24