

**MEMORANDUM** 

The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District is

committed to a

leadership role in

protecting, improving

and managing the

surface waters and

affiliated groundwater

resources within the

District, including their

relationships to the

ecosystems of which they

are an integral part.

We achieve our mission

through regulation,

capital projects,

education, cooperative

endeavors, and other

programs based on sound science,

innovative thinking, an

informed and engaged

constituency, and the

cost effective use of

public funds.

April 6, 2015

TO: MCWD Board of Managers

FROM: Brett Eidem, Cost Share Grant Administrator

RE: Recommendation to Hold Public Hearing to Consider Funding of Parkway Place

**Townhomes Stormwater Retrofit** 

## **PROGRAM CRITERIA**

DATE:

In 2011, the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) began implementing the Cost Share program to help meet its clean water and public participation goals. The District provides financial assistance to government units, private property owners, non-profits, academic institutions and other interested parties for projects that expand the knowledge base of water resources management, provide educational opportunities through demonstrative projects within the watershed, improve stormwater management, reduce pollution, and enhance natural resources and green infrastructure.

## **BUDGET UPDATE**

Cost Share 2015 Budget: \$832,000.00 Amount Approved in 2015: \$516,290.00

## PARKWAY PLACE TOWNHOMES- PARKWAY CT, MINNEAPOLIS

The Board of Parkway Place Townhome Association, a 22-unit association in South Minneapolis (just east of 35W and just south of Minnehaha Creek), intends to contract with Earth Wizards for construction of a major stormwater runoff retrofit. They will a number of stormwater best management practices to improve water quality and significantly decrease the quantity of water runoff from the property, which is adjacent to Minnehaha Creek. The project will also include demonstration and education outreach beyond the association, including potential partnerships with the larger townhome management group and nearby schools. The project will be possible only through grants from MCWD and Hennepin County. Terry Hammink, a 2013 Master Water Steward, has taken the lead on this project and has been working with his Townhome Association, the District, and multiple contractors for 2 years to develop the entire site retrofit. Terry installed a raingarden on his property as his capstone project through the MWS program, and has been an advocate for stormwater management since.

The project proposes above ground BMPs and proposes shrinking the impervious surface within the Townhome complex drainage area by 22% to minimize runoff. With the site's close proximity to Minnehaha Creek (immediately to the north), several BMPs would have a positive impact on reducing peak flows normally directed to the creek untreated. The proposed project has potential to capture 387,000 gallons of runoff onsite, and would reduce runoff volume by 99%, total suspended solids by 99% and total phosphorus by 98%. Although the site total reductions are only capturing onsite runoff, the project also has great potential for outreach through demonstration of what a townhome complex creates for stormwater runoff and how to minimize the impact of natural resources through

smart design. The townhome association has identified multiple partners, some of which are already involved in the project like Master Water Stewards (Freshwater Society), Macalester College, Cities Management, Mayflower Church and Nextdoor Page (a social network within the Page neighborhood). The THA has also received a \$50,000 grant from Hennepin County for the project as well. Future potential partners are Friends of Diamond Lake, Washburn High School, and the City of Minneapolis.

Staff has worked with the designer and the THA to create the most cost effective design. The total cost of the site redesign is \$371,561. The portion of this project directly related to the stormwater management retrofit, and ultimately qualifying for cost share is \$260,047.00. Staff has worked on a phasing plan with the association, based on their contributions and what could be installed as separate phases. Staff has reviewed the project through the new cost share evaluation criteria, and recommends funding 75%, not to exceed our Community Engagement project cap of \$100,000.

Preliminarily, staff is proposing funding the project at \$100,000 over a three year period. We would reimburse the project up to \$50,000/yr for the cost for year one's construction, followed by \$25,000 each of the next two years based on construction of phase 2 construction, and would require annual reporting on outreach plan. This would include numbers of people reached through tours, implementation of educational signage, and contingent on formalizing the potential partnerships with schools and the city/county.

As part of its review of the project, staff applied the new cost share evaluation criteria for what is categorized as a Community Engagement Project. Staff will review this process at the April 9, 2015 MCWD Board of Managers Meeting. Consistent with Board policy for cost share funding requests greater than \$50,000 staff will request a Board recommendation to hold a public hearing at the Board of Managers meeting on May 14, 2015. Staff presented the project at the March 11 CAC meeting, where it received a unanimous recommendation for funding.

An aerial site map, project plans, education and outreach collaborations and partnerships, and the project budget are attached. If you have any questions on the content provided prior to the meeting, please contact me at <a href="mailto:beidem@minnehahacreek.org">beidem@minnehahacreek.org</a> or 952-641-4523.



344 parkway ct, minneapolis

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About the data

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344 PARKWAY CT Address: MINNEAPOLIS, 55419

Owner Name:

PKWY PLACE HOMEOWNERS

Acres:

**▶ Land Cover** 

No Ecologically Signif. Area Present

No Natural Resource Corridor Present

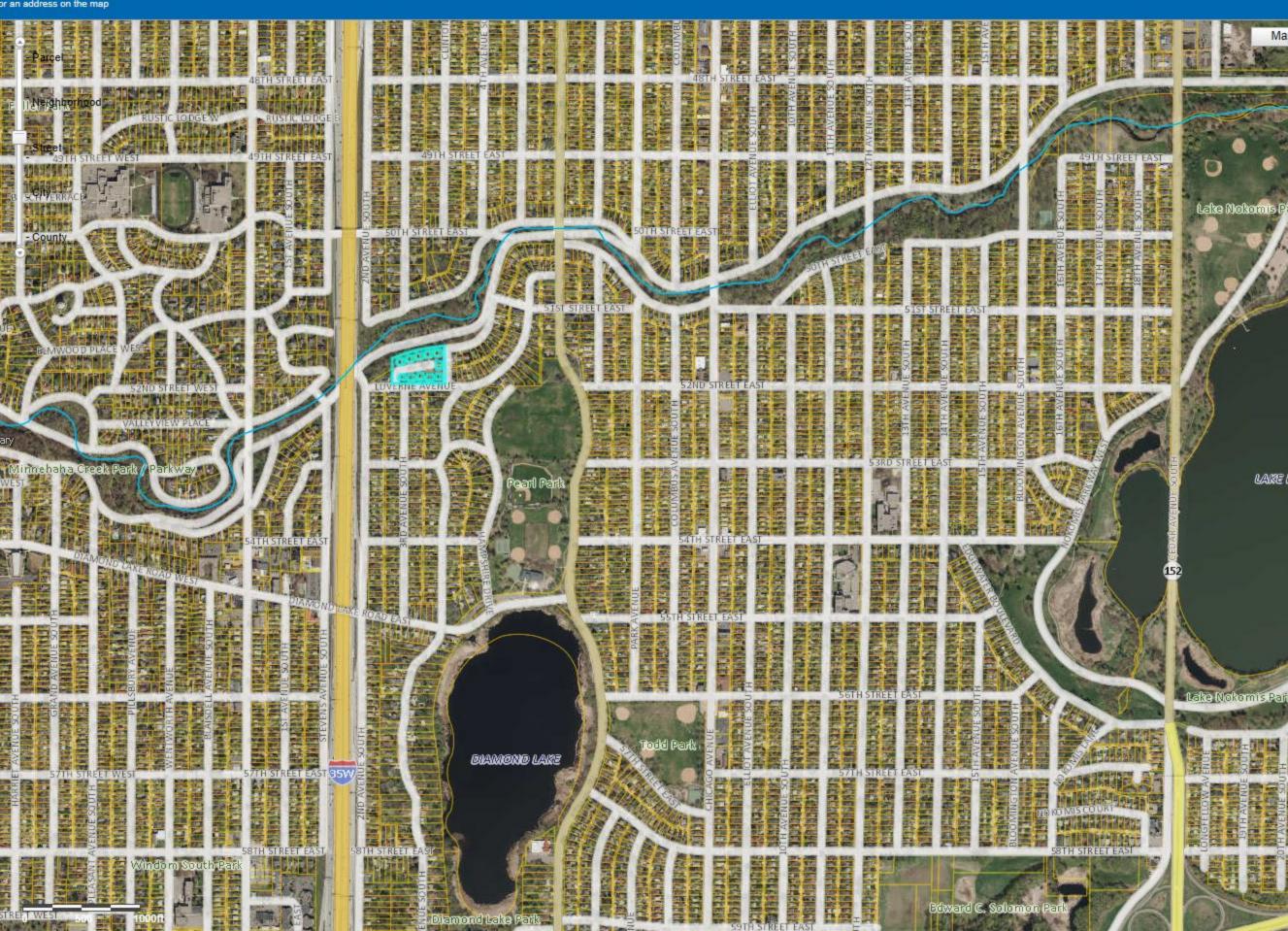
▶ Soils

No Public Waters Present

No Floodplain Present

**▶** Wetlands Present

**▶** Watershed





Hybrid

Measure



Balancing Urban Development and Water Conservation

PROJECT NAME: PARKWAY PLACE

PROJECT ADDRESS: LUVERNE AVE & PARKWAY CT, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55419

SCALE: 1" = 40'-0"

DRAWN BY:

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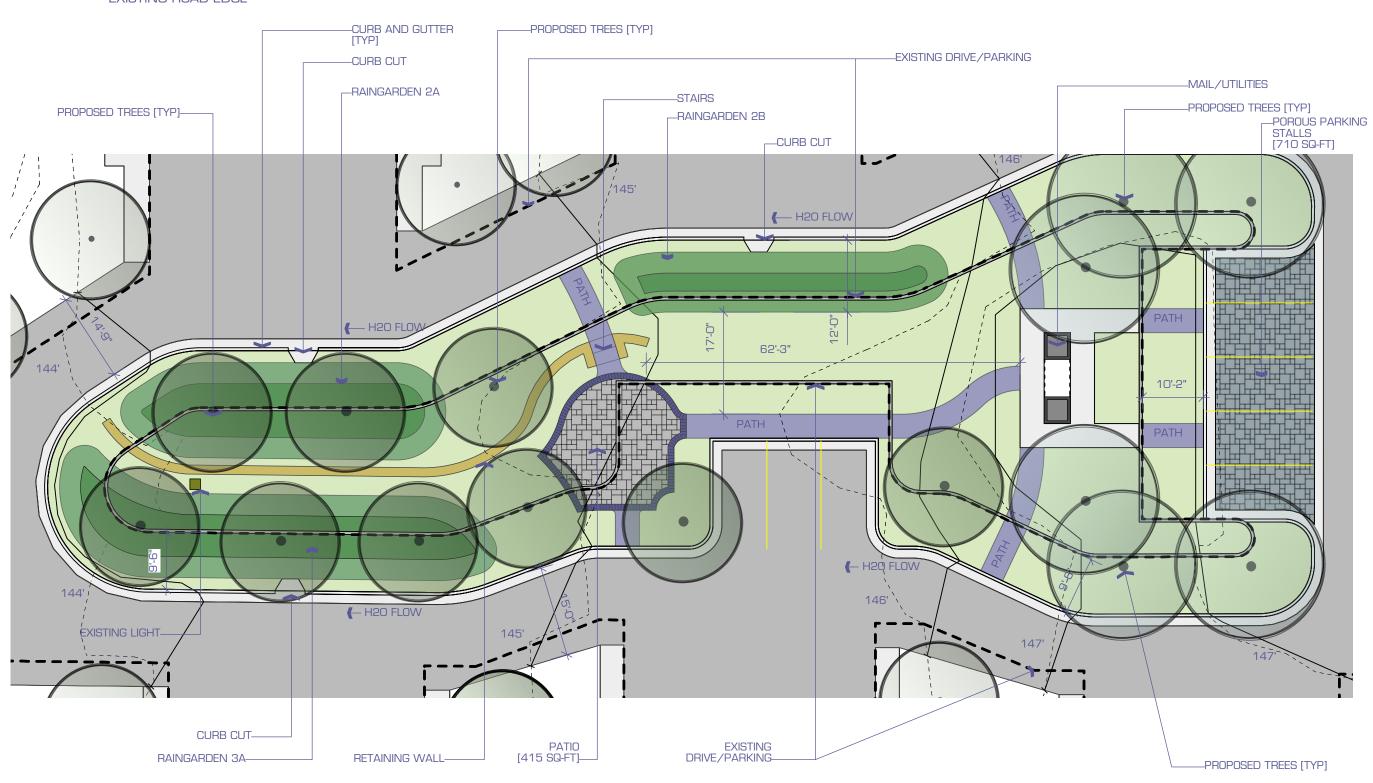
DESIGN TEAM: S. ANDERSON D. PUTNAM

NOTES: CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS ONLY, NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES

SITE PLAN

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PROJECT NAME: PARKWAY PLACE

PROJECT ADDRESS: LUVERNE AVE & PARKWAY CT, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55419

SCALE: 1" = 16'-0"

DRAWN BY: J. LOCHNER

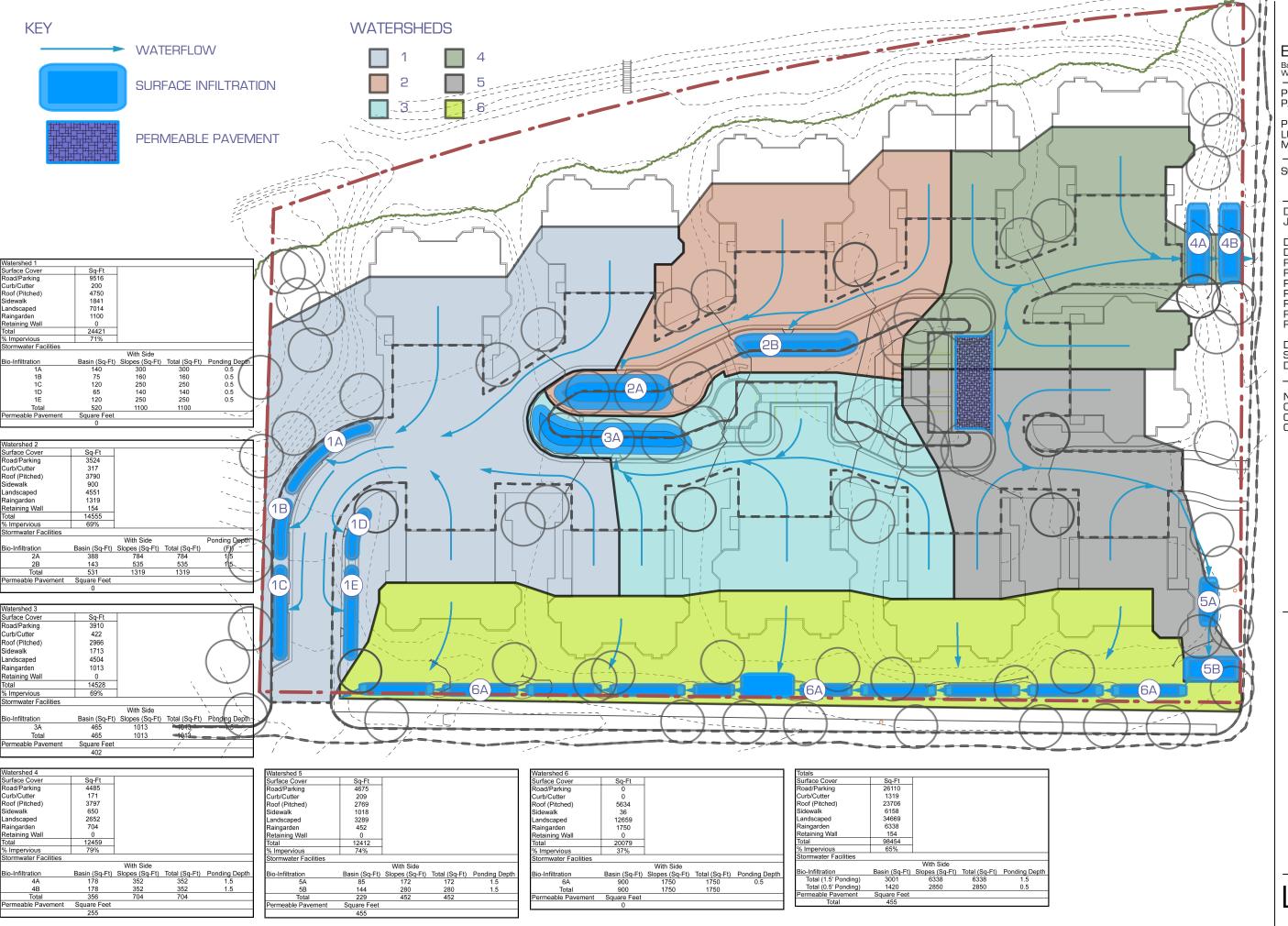
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DESIGN TEAM: S. ANDERSON D. PUTNAM

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COMMUNITY SPACE

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Balancing Urban Development and Water Conservation

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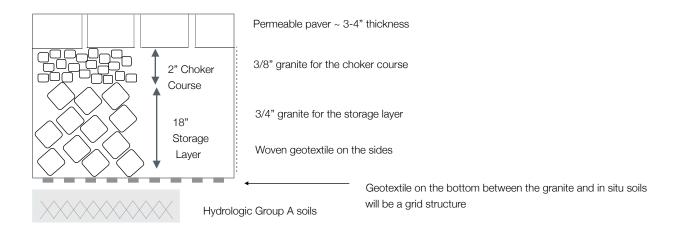
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> STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

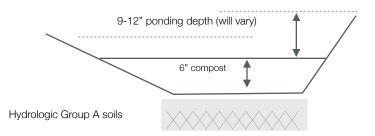
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# PARKWAY PLACE TOWNHOME ASSN - STORMWATER RETROFIT DESIGN DETAILS



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT CROSS SECTION VIEW: not to scale

Rain garden side slopes will vary. Slopes beyond 3:1 will have a coconut bionet fabric placed to help stabilize soils until the plant growth has matured.



RAIN GARDEN CROSS SECTION VIEW: not to scale

DATE	12/4/2014	STORMWATER RETROFIT DETAILS
DRAWN	S.ANDERSON EARTH WIZARDS, INC.	PARKWAY PLACE TOWNHOME ASSN MINNEAPOLIS, MN





Cost Share Grant Evaluation Form Community Engagement Grant

**Applicant:** Parkway Place Townhome Association **Project:** Parkway Place Townhome SW Retrofit

**Total Project Budget:** \$371,561

<u>Community Engagement Grant:</u> must be designed to produce greater public awareness of ways to improve water quality. These projects use a stormwater BMP as a demonstration to educate the public to build community capacity to grow knowledge and support of stormwater management in the community.

Name of Reviewer: Brett Eidem

Date Reviewed: 3-6-2015

	er management in the community.					
	Town Home Association		aka wasan kan waka fika sikla a wasan waika an ana ana k			
			stormwater retrofit with community engagement.			
		town home reside	ents has received CS funding for a raingarden in 2012.			
Project Design (30p	•					
	% of site runoff in a 1.25" rain event	10 /10	Water Resource Improvement to MCWD			
	nonstration for how townhome	5 /5	Innovative Design			
	ciations can adopt BMPs into their parking lots and 5 /5 <b>Budget Detail</b> e site design to enhance aesthetics and community 10 /10 <b>Maintenance Plan</b>					
		10 /10	Maintenance Plan			
space for the nome	owners and passersby.  Project Design Total:	30 /30	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \			
Education 8 Outro	•	30 /30				
Education & Outrea		20 /20	Lefter and within Community			
	nosting community events, newsletters,	20 /20	Influence within Community			
•	erships with nearby schools, townhome	25 /25	Outreach Techniques			
	le to the public and nearby Minnehaha eraging grant funds from Henn. County	5 /10	Visibility of Demonstration			
creek parkway. Leve		5 /5	Leveraging Other Grant Funds			
	Education and Outreach Total:	55 /60				
Water Resource Pri						
	roximity to Minnehaha Creek. Partners	5 /10	Alignment with District Priorities			
include potential CS	projects in the area.					
	Water Resource Prioritization Total:	5 /10				
	Total:	90 /100				
	The proposal is among the very best; it	exceeds expectat	tions in many areas, was very clearly presented, is an			
100 -90pts	excellent match for this funding, and show	uld be funded.				
75% Funding	Potential for up to 75% funding, not to ex					
	*project will need Board approval for funding	requests over \$5,0	00 and a public hearing if funding request is over \$50,000			
	The proposal is generally strong and is a g	good match for th	is funding. If enough funding is available, this proposal			
89-75 pts	should be funded. A few concerns might					
50% Funding	Potential for up to 50% Funding, not to ex					
			00 and a public hearing if funding request is over \$50,000			
74-50 pts	The proposal has some strengths but also	n several problem	n areas. Areas of concern would need to be addressed			
Needs Further	before further consideration of funding for	•	raicas. Aicas of concern would need to be addressed			
Development	before further consideration of furthing to	or tins proposan				
49-0 pts	This proposal is quite weak in many of the	he important are	as. Concerns preclude recommendation of funding for			
Does Not Qualify	this proposal.		process process and the second of the second			
Reporting	*Required for all Community Engagement	nt projects, needed he	efore phased reimbursement is released			
	- Description and location of outre		•			
	- Number of people engaged and	•				
	1		ts on improving water quality and awareness			
	- Opportunities for monitoring		. 3 , 3, 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1			
	- Inspection Form					

**Comments and Notes:** This project can serve as a larger demonstration to other townhome associations. The design has been revised to be a cost effective retrofit to capture almost the entire site's runoff, as well as minimize impervious surface onsite and create a community space for the residents to gather. There will be raingardens around the perimeter of the site permeable paver visitor parking, and educational signage throughout. There is a very detailed outreach plan that includes holding community events and social media outreach. Staff has worked with the THA on a phased construction and reimbursement plan.

# Cost Share 2015 Detailed Evaluation Criteria Community Engagement Grant Evaluation Criteria

## **Project Design-** 30 Points

- Water resource impact to MCWD (cost benefit)
  - o Proposed project captures greater than 50% of site runoff
  - o Reduces flow, promotes infiltration, reduces erosion
  - Creates habitat and promotes pollinator plants
  - o Entire site design, with detailed breakdown of BMPs and correlating removals of each
- Innovation- something we haven't funded before, innovative use of stormwater BMPs, first of its kind in the region/state, multi-functionality, re-use system
- Budget- Detailed cost estimate of project (construction and outreach efforts)
- Maintenance- having a detailed maintenance plan and recommended schedule

#### **Education and Outreach-** 60 Points

- Influence within Community
  - o Delineating who within the organization will execute education and outreach efforts
  - Partnerships
    - Schools, other organizations- establishing classroom curriculum around water quality education
    - Collaborations- working with other organizations on the same water quality project
  - Community Capacity- Does the project encourage community involvement or service by local citizens?
- Outreach Techniques
  - o Educational Signage- Project specific/ Connections to other District Efforts
  - o Host an Event-utilizing partnerships to host an event that incorporates stormwater management awareness and creates a foundation for building community capacity to impact the problem of water pollution
  - o Innovative Outreach Techniques- Use of cutting edge technology, something we haven't funded before, first of its kind in the region/state, utilizing social media
- Visibility- How easily can passers by understand what the project is and how it works
- Leveraging other funds- is project utilizing other grant dollars or resources to accomplish project goals

## Water Resource Prioritization- 10- Points

- Proximity to Focal Geography of MCWD Initiatives
  - How can the project complement other District initiatives/future projects
- Proximity to an impaired waterbody
  - o How does project address impairments through BMPs or education
- Protection of high value resource

# **Reporting-** Required for Community Engagement projects

- o Description of outreach techniques used and their location
- o Number of people educated and engaged on the project
- Has the project and outreach initiated other efforts on improving water quality and awareness
- Opportunities for monitoring
- Inspection Report

## Parkway Place Townhome Association: Partners and Collaboration

## **Existing Partners**

- Cities Management- who Parkway Place Townhomes have a contract with
  - Will work with 30+ other management groups on outreach to incorporate stormwater BMPs at other Townhome Associations
  - Will nominate project for an environmental award with the Minnesota Multi Housing Association and Community Association Institute
- Hennepin County
  - Received a \$50,000 grant from Hennepin County for the retrofit project
- Connections with Neighbors
  - Have hosted open houses in the past and intend to do stormwater specific open houses in the future
- Nextdoor Page- Social network for neighbors in the Page neighborhood. Parkway Place Townhomes is the site of the old Page school
  - o 300+ members
  - Will use the social network to inform neighbors of project construction, initiatives and results, as well as open house opportunities
- Washburn High School
  - o Communication with Eric Adams, a science teacher
  - Host a field trip for students to learn about stormwater runoff, stormwater BMPs and their benefits
  - International Bachelorette Classes
- Macalester College
  - Through Master Water Stewards, Terry Hammink has established a connection with the Geography department
  - Will continue to provide information on project to map outreach initiatives and connections between who they have reached through the project
- Freshwater Society
  - Example project for future Master Water Stewards
  - Freshwater would provide funding for incidental costs of hosting open houses and informational meetings
- Mayflower Church
  - Partnership with church's recently established 'Groundwise Group'
    - Has MWS in group, with congregation
  - Will support each other's efforts
  - Assist in outreach plan development

#### Potential Partners

- Friends of Diamond Lake
  - o Joint education event related to stormwater and Parkway Place retrofit
  - o Educate their group on this project and other efforts- how to get involved
- Earth Wizards and the City of Minneapolis
  - Use project with city education and outreach efforts

Phase 1 Work

PARKING LOT WORK (ADDED 3 PARKING STALLS)	Quantity	Unit	<b>Unit Rate</b>	Total
Demolition of Concrete Curbing (Center and Driveway Entrance)	760	If	\$ 3.00	\$ 2,280.00
Demolition of Concrete Sidewalks	2250	sf	\$ 3.00	\$ 6,750.00
Reclaiming	32287	sf	\$ 0.20	\$ 6,457.40
Stockpile and Subcut to Alter Drainage into Bain Gardens	120	hrs	\$ 125.00	\$ 15,000.00
Removal of Excess Subsoils for New Asphalt (Regrading to RGs)	400	tons	\$ 25.00	\$ 10,000.00
Removal of Excess Base Aggregate (De-pavement Areas)	250	tons	\$ 25.00	\$ 6,250.00
#Basing and Paving	25606	sf	\$ 2.53	\$ 64,776.60
TOTAL				\$ 111,514.00

CENTER LANDSCAPE (CHANGED NON-PERM. PAVERS TO TRAPROCK)	Quantity	9 11	Unit	Unit Rate		Total
Demolition of Trees	1	ls	\$	9,000.00	257271	9,000.00
Excess Soil Removal for Stormwater Treatment	100		\$	100.00		10,000.00
Curbing to Control Run-on for Pretreatment	615	lf	\$	30.00	\$	18,450.00
Pretreatment Forebays	3	ea .	\$	1,500.00	\$	4,500.00
Rain Garden Excavation	150		\$	100.00	\$	15,000.00
Rain Garden Soils and Mulch	- 60	су	\$	90.00	\$	5,400.00
Rain Garden Plantings	1	ls	\$	9,000.00	\$	9,000.00
Trees, Native	12	өа	\$	300.00	\$	3,600.00
Grading of Low Mtc. Turf Areas, Topsoil, Seed and Erosion Control	7500	sf	\$	1.00	\$	7,500.00
Boulder Wall for Tiered Structure	300	sf	\$	25.00	\$	7,500.00
#Path and Patio, Dresser Traprock	1050	1000	\$	12.14	11	12,750.00
Path, Concrete (Mailbox)	100	sf	\$	15.00	\$	1,500.00
Deliveries, Stormwater Treatment-related	4	ea	\$	150.00	\$	600.00
Deliveries	6	ea	\$	150.00	\$	900.00
TOTAL					\$	105,700.00

#PERMEABLE PAVEMENT (DECREASED AREA/PARKING STALLS 8 TO 5)	Quantity	Unit	Unit Rate	Total
Excavation	75	су	\$ 105.00	\$ 7,875.00
Ribbon Curb (to Maintain Edge)	55	lf	\$ 25,50	\$ 1,402.50
Tensar Grid (Bottom of Excavation Area)	892	sf	\$ 1.00	\$ 892.00
Geotextile (Perimeter of Excavation Area)	323	sf	\$ 1.00	\$ 323.00
Granite 3/4"	62	су	\$ 135.00	\$ 8,370.00
Granite 3/8"	6	су	\$ 135.00	\$ 810.00
Permeable Pavers	930	sf	\$ 13.25	\$ 12,322.50
Deliveries	3	ea	\$ 150.00	\$ 450.00
TOTAL				\$ 32,445.00

#DRIVE ENTRANCE RAIN GARDENS (1 GARDEN FOR PHASE 2)	Quantity	Un	it	<b>Unit Rate</b>	Total
Rain Garden Soil and Mulch	48	су	\$	90.00	\$ 4,320.00
Rain Garden Plants	1	ls	\$	4,510.00	\$ 4,510.00
Curbing to Control Run-on for Pretreatment	145	lf	\$	30.00	\$ 4,350.00
Pretreatment Forebays	4	ea	\$	1,500.00	\$ 6,000.00
Dry Creek Bed, Check Dams in Rain Gardens	140	If	\$	20.00	\$ 2,800.00
Trees, Native	6	ea	\$	300.00	\$ 1,800.00
Channel Drain	1	ea	\$	3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Deliveries	3	еа	\$	150.00	\$ 450.00
TOTAL					\$ 34,730.00

#NE RAIN GARDEN - TIERED + SE GRADING	Quantity	ι	Init	<b>Unit Rate</b>	Total
Excavation	25	су	\$	175.00	\$ 4,375.00
Grading	1	Is	\$	1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00
Erosion Control Blanket on Hillside/C125Bionet	1500	sf	\$	0.75	\$ 1,125.00
Rain Garden Soil and Mulch	20	су	\$	90.00	\$ 1,800.00
Rain Garden Plants	1	Is	\$	5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
Pretreatment Forebays	2	ea	\$	1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
SE Grading/ Dry Creek Bed - Prep for 2016 RG Work	1	ea	\$	1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00
Deliveries	3	ea	\$	150.00	\$ 450.00
TOTAL					\$ 18,850.00

# Phase 2 & 3 Work

#PERIMETER RAIN GARDENS - TIERED BIOSWALE (SE, SOUTH AND ONE @ ENTRANCE)	Quantity		Unit	Unit Rate	Total
Mobilization	2	ea	\$	1,250.00	\$ 2,500.00
Excavation	125	су	\$	90.00	\$ 11,250.00
Rain Garden Soil and Mulch	90	су	\$	90.00	\$ 8,100.00
Rain Garden Plants (include larger plants with plug plantings)	1	ls	\$	13,380.00	\$ 13,380.00
Contingency Budget (Draintile/Dry Creek Bed to Connect Gardens)	1	ls	\$	5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Deliveries	3	ea	\$	150.00	\$ 450.00
Labor/Material Increases - 5% per year allowance					\$ 2,568.00
TOTAL					\$ 43,248.00

SUMMARY	TOTAL
Parking Lot Work	\$ 111,514.00
Center Landscape	\$ 105,700.00
Permeable Pavement	\$ 32,445.00
Drive Entrance with Rain Gardens	\$ 34,730.00
NE Tiered Rain Garden	\$ 17,600.00
SE Rain Garden - Prep Only Work/Regrading & Dry Creek Bed	\$ 1,250.00
TOTAL FOR PHASE 1 (2015)	\$ 303,239.00
Contingency Budget 2015 (5%)	\$ 15,162.00
PHASE 2 & 3 (2016-2017)	
Perimeter Rain Gardens and Bioswale (Southeast, Entrance (1) and South Tiered Bioswale)	\$ 43,248.00
Signage Allowance (Graphic Design Work, Sign and Installation - 3 locations)	\$ 7,500.00
TOTAL FOR PHASES 2 & 3	\$ 50,748.00
Contingency Budget 2016-2017 (5%)	\$ 2,412.00

TOTAL QUALIFYING FOR CS \$260,047.00

STAFF RECOMMENDATION 75%, NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00

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