



East Harriet Accomplishments

October 2007

Parks

- Re-established Lyndale Farmstead Park as a working park (moved out daycare)
- Partially funded staff at park, increasing park use through park programs, activities and events
- New tennis courts and fencing at Lyndale Farmstead
- New lighting at Lyndale Farmstead and Roseway Road
- Contributed to rehab of historic bathrooms at Lake Harriet
- Dedicated funds for and provided tour access to Park Superintendents' house
- Partially funded new Lyndale Farmstead Park Tot Lot
- Contributed to Peace sculpture in Peace Garden
- Worked with the Minneapolis Art in Public Places to commission and site Gateway Art Project (peace cairns on 40th St.)
- Contributed to Peace Bridge Project

Schools

- Contributed to Barton School Auditorium, façade, outdoor lighting and landscaping
- Advised the City School Board and monitored its progress on the neighborhood's desire for a designated community school
- Instituted and funded environmental education curriculum at Barton

Environment

- Planted 30 trees at Lake Calhoun
- Planted over 400 boulevard trees throughout the neighborhood
- Contributed to "Clean Water Cookbook", distributed to homeowners
- Stenciled neighborhood drains ("Drains to Lake")
- Participated in Earth Day event
- Currently set to re-publish a Robert Sadler Bird Sanctuary Guidebook for park use
- Conducted Buckthorn roundup
- Planned and installed community rain garden at Barton Open School
- Funded Rose Garden/Peace Garden information sheets
- Started Dutch Elm Tree Treatment Rebate program offering \$200 per residence
- Hosted two Clean Water Fairs at Barton School
- Provided two rain barrel building workshops and distributed XX rain barrels (??)
- Provided two rain garden workshops
- Co-sponsored Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off events

Business

- Instituted and administered Business Facade Improvement Program
- Installed pedestrian lighting at 46th and Bryant business node
- Dedicated funds to Streetscape/Boulevard greening, 36th & Bryant business node
- Instrumental in creation of Nicollet-East Harriet Business Association

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Housing

- Distributed \$195,000 in housing grants and matching grants
- Established \$650,000 Revolving Loan Fund—low interest home improvement loans continuously in use by neighbors
- Provided \$18,000 in homeowner down-payment assistance. Deferred loans forgiven.

Transportation

- Installed flashing lights at 39th & Bryant stop sign
- Worked on neighborhood traffic calming—42nd & Bryant, King's Highway
- Funded extension of 40th Street RiverLake Greenway bike route to Lake Harriet
- “Share the road” lanes on Bryant Avenue
- Paid for bus shelter at 39th & Bryant
- Helped secure pedestrian-level lighting and green medians for upcoming Lyndale Ave. reconstruction
- Participated in Mayor's Great City Design Team initiative for 40th & Lyndale business node
- Created task force to address issues at Walker Methodist Health Care Facility

Crime and Safety

- Worked with CCP/SAFE to establish crime/safety alert email network
- Reinvigorate vibrant block club network
- Created www.mplsblockclub.org to serve as a communication vehicle for block club leaders

Community Building

- Mail out a quarterly newsletter
- Mail out updates on neighborhood meetings and events
- Sponsored neighborhood events, including Rosefest, the Winter Kite Festival on Lake Harriet, the Pageant Hill Kite Festival in May, past Summer Festivals, the Neighborhood Garage Sale event and many others
- Email city and neighborhood information to neighborhood email list
- Sponsored Logo design contest
- Installed neighborhood boundary signs
- Redesigned newsletter
- Established website at eastharriet.org
- Funded senior citizen fitness programs at Southwest Senior Center