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ARMATAGE NRP PHASE II NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION PLAN

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I. Executive Summary

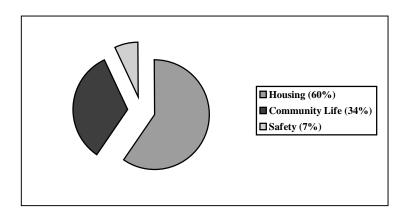
The Planning Process

| March 20, 2001 | e Armatage Neighborhood Association meets eligibility quirements for entry into NRP Phase II: 95.9% Phase I funds contracted 78% Phase I funds expended | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| December 11, 2001 | Armatage Neighborhood Association Board and community members begin drafting of Phase II Participation Agreement. | | | | |
| March 19, 2002 | Phase II Participation Agreement approved by neighborhood vote at ANA Annual Meeting. | | | | |
| March 25, 2002 | ANA Phase II Participation Agreement approved by NRP Policy Board. | | | | |
| September 17, 2002 | Steering Committee appointed to begin Phase II planning. | | | | |
| November 2002 - December 2002 | Data Collection Phase, which included the return of 240 surveys and six neighborhood focus groups attended by 65 residents. | | | | |
| January 2003 - February 2003 | Plan Development Phase which included: | | | | |
| | ☐ Steering Committee meetings to review survey and focus group results in January. | | | | |
| | ☐ Newsletter sent to residents with upcoming dates for comment period and plan vote in February. | | | | |
| | ☐ ANA Board meeting to approve Phase II plan draft in February. | | | | |
| | ☐ Draft available for review on neighborhood website and at Winter Festival in February. | | | | |
| March 2003 | ☐ Summary of NRP Phase II Plan mailed with ballot attached for voting. | | | | |
| | Open House to answer final plan questions prior to Annual Meeting on March 18th. | | | | |
| | ☐ Board and general membership vote preliminary approval on March 18th. | | | | |
| April 21, 2003 | ☐ ANA Board votes final approval on plan. | | | | |
| December 14, 2004 | ☐ Neighborhood votes final approval of revised plan. | | | | |

The Plan

Total Estimated Allocation For Phase II Plan: \$375,682

This Armatage Neighborhood Phase II Plan allocation will be divided between plan areas in the following manner:



A. Housing Total: \$223,777 (60% of total plan allocation)

The goal of the housing projects is the preservation of quality housing opportunities for all residents.

B. Non-Housing Total: \$151,905 (40% of total plan allocation)

1.) Community Life: \$125,905 (34% of total plan allocation)

The goal of Community Life projects is to preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who live and work here. This will be accomplished through the following projects:

Youthstart Work Program

After School Educational Support Program

Exterior Business Improvements

Neighborhood newsletter Neighborhood Events

NRP Coordinator

Pedestrian Scale Lighting and Neighborhood Identity Banners

2.) Safety: \$26,000 (7% of total plan allocation)

The goal of the Safety projects is to create a neighborhood that looks and feels safe. This will be accomplished through the following projects:

Responsible Driving Program Slow Traffic Speeds
Community Safety Neighborhood Lighting

Know Your Neighbor Program

Community Oriented Public Safety Initiatives Reserve Fund (COPSIRF)

II. Neighborhood Background

The Armatage neighborhood was originally part of Richfield but was annexed to Minneapolis in the mid-1920s. Homes in the neighborhood began to rise up in the 1940s, and by 1960 most of the neighborhood was established. Our neighborhood is named for Maude Armatage. During her many years of community service, she was tireless in her efforts to improve the civic, cultural, recreational, and educational life of this community as the first woman elected to the Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners.

Armatage is well regarded today as one of the cities' finest neighborhoods in which to live. It is abundant with residents who take great pride in their property, as well as their strong sense of community. Our neighborhood is one of the safest of the eighty-one neighborhoods in the city of Minneapolis. Armatage Park, and Armatage Community and Montessori School, are buzzing with activity year round with people of all ages. Residents come to learn, get involved in sports and recreation activities, join community groups, and attend special events. The Armatage neighborhood has a nice diversity of businesses to offer residents and visitors, and a variety of housing options including single-family homes, duplexes, and apartment buildings. The Armatage neighborhood is home to twenty-seven businesses, an elementary school, a community center, a church, and 4759 residents.

The Armatage Neighborhood Association is particularly proud of the recognition the neighborhood has received for its' Phase I work. At the NRP's 10-year Anniversary Awards Dinner, the Armatage Neighborhood was recognized for its nomination in the Best Multi-Jurisdictional Project category.

Geographic Area Served

The Armatage Neighborhood is in southwest Minneapolis, bounded on the north and south by 54th Street and Highway 62, and on the east and west by Logan and Xerxes Avenues respectively.

Population Served

According to the 2000 Census, the total population of the Armatage neighborhood is 4,759. This is 122 residents less that in1990, or an overall decrease of 2.5%. A more specific look at the neighborhood reflects the changes in race and ethnicity. Armatage has residents of every ethnic group including: Hispanic or Latino; American Indians and Alaska Natives; Black or African American; and Asian, Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander. This diversity has increased in the Armatage neighborhood over the past ten years, with the total percent reflecting 11% of the neighborhood's population.

Other changes in demographics have occurred over the last ten years as well. The neighborhood is now comprised of 17% of renter-occupied housing units, which is an increase of 9.5%. The greatest increase in an age group occurred in the age 45-64 category, with a 13% increase. The greatest decrease, of 22%, occurred in the 65 and older age group.

Organization Information

The Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA) was established in 1991 to represent all residents and their interests in the neighborhood. The ANA is a 501(c)3 organization with over 160 registered members. The ANA is almost entirely volunteer-driven, with only one quarter-time independent contractor to help manage the organization. ANA's purpose is to protect and promote neighborhood interests and the health, safety, and general welfare of residents within the organization's geographic boundaries in a non-partisan, educational, and cooperative manner.

III. Planning Process

Participation Agreement

The first step taken by the ANA in the Phase II Plan Development process was to draft a Phase II Participation Agreement (Addendum A). The Participation Agreement summarized our neighborhood demographics, outlined our organizational structure, and described the process the ANA would undertake to conduct outreach and develop a Phase II plan. Developing the Participation Agreement took place over the course of four months, and the Participation Agreement was approved at the ANA's Annual Meeting on March 19, 2002.

Outreach

A concerted effort was made by the ANA to ensure that residents had ample opportunities to inform the organization of the neighborhood issues that mattered most to them. To accommodate the needs of neighborhood stakeholders, the ANA utilized a variety of tools to inform these stakeholders about the planning process and their opportunity to get involved. First and foremost, the ANA used their neighborhood newsletter, which is published quarterly, to notify residents of upcoming events related to Phase II such as focus groups, surveys, and voting opportunities. The newsletter is mailed to more than 2,400 residents, businesses, and public facilities in the neighborhood. The ANA also mailed out a postcard to each of these stakeholders, informing them of the focus groups and how they could attend. Furthermore, a survey was mailed to these stakeholders, and absentee property owners. The ANA's final mailing to each property was a summary of the neighborhood plan with a ballot for voting attached.

The ANA utilized other methods of outreach as well. The ANA used their newly launched website to inform residents of upcoming meetings and events, and the website served as an alternate method to register for focus groups and comment on a draft of plan proposals. Also, the ANA used their membership database to call every registered member regarding their opportunity for participation in focus groups. At the beginning of the planning process, flyers were used to recruit Steering Committee members. Additionally, the ANA used already popular events like the annual Winter Festival to solicit input from residents on plan strategies.

Under-represented groups were approached using additional outreach methods. Business owners and known renters received personal phone calls inviting them to participate in their population's focus group, and youth were recruited to attend a focus group through Armatage Park. Finally, as a way to minimize attrition in focus groups, people that pre-registered received a confirmation letter that included an outline of discussion items for them to review in advance.

Research

In order to discover the vision people have for the Armatage neighborhood, the ANA utilized multiple research tools. First, the ANA conducted a neighborhood-wide survey that was mailed to every property owner that included an overview of Phase I activities and a questionnaire about Phase II priorities (Addendum B). We received 240 completed surveys from residents representing a variety of ages, ethnicity, and length of residency. The results of this survey are presented in Addendum C.

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Additionally, we held six of the seven scheduled focus groups, with a total attendance of 65 residents. Focus groups were structured based on the stakeholders involved. The focus groups were: People without Children, Families, Seniors, Youth, Businesses, and an Open group for people who were not able to attend any of the other groups. Although we offered a group for Renters, only one person of those that registered showed up for that group. A final report on Focus Group Findings can be found in Addendum D.

Plan Development, Feedback, and Approval

The information gathered from these research tools was then used by the Steering Committee as a guide in developing Phase II plan strategies. After a preliminary plan was drafted, ANA Board Members reviewed it at their monthly meeting on February 17th. Neighbors also had the opportunity to review the draft and provide feedback in two ways, via the neighborhood website and at the Armatage Neighborhood Winter Festival on February 23rd. This gave the Steering Committee the opportunity to take these comments and improve upon the existing document. After the document was revised, a summary of the plan was mailed to every property in the neighborhood with a ballot attached that could be completed and returned. In addition, on March 18th, the ANA hosted an Open House prior to their Annual Meeting for residents to come and ask questions about the plan. The plan was voted on and approved at this meeting.

Key Dates:

The following dates represent key meetings held in the planning of the Armatage Neighborhood Association's NRP Phase II plan:

- □ Neighborhood Meeting Discussions to Recruit Steering Committee Members: 5/21/02, 8/20/02
- □ NRP Phase II Full Steering Committee Meetings: 10/3/02, 12/5/02, 1/15/03, 1/28/03
- □ NRP Phase II Focus Group Subcommittee Meetings: 10/22/02, 10/29/02, 11/26/02
- □ NRP Phase II Survey Subcommittee Meetings: 10/8/02, 10/21/02
- □ Steering Committee Updates at Armatage Neighborhood Association Meetings: 10/15/02, 11/18/02, 12/17/02, 1/17/03, 2/18/03
- □ Focus Group Dates: 12/4/02; 2 groups on 12/6/02; 2 groups on 12/10/02; 12/11/02; 12/12/02

Additional key dates in the planning process:

- □ August 2002 Residents receive newsletter soliciting Steering Committee participation.
- □ September 17, 2002 Steering committee members appointed by ANA Board.
- □ November 2002 Residents receive newsletter informing them of upcoming survey and focus groups.
- □ November 2002 Neighborhood surveys mailed to residents for input on Phase II priorities; 240 surveys returned.
- □ December 2002 Neighborhood focus groups held.
- ☐ January 21, 2003 ANA Board and community members received Phase II survey and focus group results.

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- ☐ February 2003 Residents received neighborhood newsletter informing them of important upcoming dates for comment periods and plan vote.
- ☐ February 10, 2003 Residents began viewing plan draft on neighborhood web site and provided comments.
- ☐ February 17, 2003 ANA Board reviewed and approved Phase II plan draft.
- □ February 23, 2003 Winter Festival held where residents could view plan draft, ask questions, and provide comment.
- ☐ March 2003 Residents mailed a summary of NRP Phase II Plan, with ballot attached for voting.
- ☐ March 18, 2003 –Open House prior to Annual Meeting for questions about plan. Board vote is taken for approval of NRP Phase II Plan.
- ☐ April 21, 2003 Board grants final approval of plan based on neighborhood ballots.
- ☐ May 19, 2003 Approved NRP Phase II Plan is presented to NRP Policy Board.
- □ September November 2004 ANA Board members meet to adjust plan based on reduced funding.
- □ December 14, 2004 Residents invited to attend neighborhood meeting to vote on revised Phase II Plan.

IV. Phase II Action Plan

A. Housing

Total Housing Allocation: \$223,777 (60% of the ANA NRP Phase II funds are

designated for housing programs)

1.1.1 Home Improvement Program

Goal: Develop and preserve a mix of quality housing types that are safe,

attractive, affordable, and available to meet both the current and future

housing needs of Minneapolis residents.

Objective: Rehabilitate existing housing to prevent deterioration of the City's housing

stock, to maintain the quality and unique character of neighborhoods, and

invest in existing housing with value added improvements.

Strategy: Develop a program or participate in the NRP Housing Investment Fund

which best serves the needs of the potential applicants; improves housing quality, quantity, and affordability; and increases housing options

throughout the city.

Rationale: Neighborhood survey indicated overwhelming interest from Armatage residents

in providing smaller loans to greater numbers of people, with a focus on

preserving neighborhood appearance and addressing the need for increased home space. In addition, focus group participants indicated interest in further home improvement programs to expand home sizes in the area, and encourage less well-maintained homes to make improvements. This may also be considered for rental property owners as both survey and focus group participants indicated a concern about the decline in maintenance of neighborhood rental properties. Neighborhood housing programs will serve single and multifamily housing units. Relates to City Goal: Foster the development and preservation of a mix of housing types that is available, affordable, and meets current needs and

promotes future growth.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Armatage neighborhood property owners

Community Housing Agencies

Contract Administrator: DFD

Schedule: Research and planning – 2005-2006

Funding – 2006: \$58,777, 2007: \$50,000; 2008: \$50,000; 2009: \$65,000

Resources: \$223,777 in NRP funds will be used for program costs and administration

Where possible, funds may be leveraged from property owners' matching funds or home improvement investment above the NRP loan amount.

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| How: | Establish ANA Home Improvement program committee. |
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| | Develop program that meets the needs of neighborhood residents. |
| | Determine program administrator through a competitive selection process. |
| | Work with city partners to contract the program. |
| | Promote the program through the newsletter. |
| | Evaluate and report outcomes to the neighborhood and NRP database. |

Total Community Life Allocation: \$125,905 (34% of the ANA NRP Phase II funds are designated for Community Life programs)

1.1.1 Youthstart Work Program

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase the opportunities for youth to have meaningful relationships with

the community.

Strategy: Provide job opportunities for youth ages 12-15 through an Armatage Park

Youthstart Work Program.

Rationale: Although almost 70% of survey respondents indicated job opportunities for

youth were very important, almost 60% rated job opportunities in the neighborhood as fair to poor. In addition, the youth focus group commented that they wanted to work, but the neighborhood businesses would not hire them

because of their young age. The Youthstart Program will assist youth in developing a sense of responsibility and discipline, while also being of service to the park and community members. **Relates to City Goal: Promote public, community, and private partnerships to address disparities and to support**

strong, healthy families and communities.

Partners: Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB)

Armatage Neighborhood Association

Contract Administrator: MPRB

Schedule: Research and planning – 2005

Funding: 2006-\$6,240; 2007-\$6,240; 2008-\$2,520

Resources: \$15,000 in NRP funds to be used for program costs. These program funds

could provide the equivalent for 4 youth to work 2 hours/day, five days a week,

for almost 2 ½ years.

Leveraged community service hours from youth in program.

Program administration by Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board.

How:

Establish an ANA Youth Programs committee.

□ Work with MPRB to develop Youthstart Work Program guidelines.

☐ Promote program through ANA newsletter and MPRB publications.

1.1.2 Youth Involvement Program

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase the opportunities for youth to have meaningful relationships with

the community.

Strategy: Provide enrichment opportunities for Armatage youth to engage in

recreational programs after school and during the summer.

Rationale: Despite the fact that the majority of survey respondents did not have children

under the age of 18, they overwhelmingly rated after school and summer programs as very important for youth. In addition, the highest number of handwritten comments in the safety section of the survey indicated concerns about teen behavior in the neighborhood. This program provides social

development opportunities for young people to be engaged in positive activities in a supervised manner regardless of financial circumstances. Relates to City Goal: Promote public, community, and private partnerships to address disparities and to support strong, healthy families and communities.

Partners: Hennepin County

Armatage Neighborhood Association

Contract Administrator: Hennepin County

Schedule: Research and Planning – 2005

Funding 2006 - \$1,250; 2007 - \$1,250

Resources: \$2,500 in NRP funds: These funds would allow an average of 12 youth to

attend 30 field trips over the course of two years.

Program Assistance by Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board.

How:

Establish an ANA Youth Programs committee.

□ Work with Hennepin County to develop Youth Involvement Program

guidelines.

☐ Promote program through ANA newsletter and MPRB publications.

1.1.3 After School Educational Support Programs

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase the opportunities for youth to have meaningful relationships with

the community.

Strategy: Provide support programs for after school educational classes at

Armatage Community School for youth ages 5-12.

Rationale: After school programs were rated very important by 86.4% of survey

respondents. School budget cuts forced an increase in program fees this year for after school classes. As a result, many students who need additional academic assistance through these classes will be unable to make strides in their academic progress. Relates to City Goal: Promote public, community, and private partnerships to address disparities and to support strong,

healthy families and communities.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association

Minneapolis Public Schools, Community Education (MPS)

Contract Administrator: MPS

Schedule: Research and Planning – 2005

Funding 2006 -\$2,500; 2007 - \$2,500

Resources: \$5,000 in NRP funds: This program would be able to serve twenty students for

three quarters per year for two years.

Program administration by Minneapolis Public Schools.

How:

Establish an ANA Youth Programs committee.

☐ Work with MPS to develop After School Educational Support Program

guidelines.

☐ Promote program through ANA newsletter and school publications.

1.2.1 Pedestrian Scale Lighting and Neighborhood Identity Banners

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase the safety, sense of place, and welcoming environment of

businesses in Armatage commercial nodes.

Strategy: Create community identity, and improve pedestrian safety and vitality in

commercial nodes through the use of pedestrian scale street lighting and

neighborhood identity banners.

Rationale: Approximately 72% of survey respondents indicated that the appearance of

neighborhood businesses is very important. In addition, business owners who

attended their focus group stated that pedestrian scale street lights and neighborhood identity banners would improve the Armatage business environment. Relates to City Goal: Build communities where all people feel safe and trust the City's public safety professionals and systems; and maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital, and safe

City.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Armatage business owners Public Works Department (PW)

Contract Administrator: Minneapolis Public Works Department

Schedule: Research and Planning: 2005-06

Funding: 2006 - \$53,405

Resources: \$53,405 in NRP funds

Administrative support from Public Works

CPTED from Planning Department

Special Assessment

How:

Coordinate with Armatage Business Association.

□ Work with Public Works to identify areas to be included.

□ Work with City Council Member to petition for improvements.

□ Work with CPED to maximize funds from available sources.

☐ Promote program in ANA newsletter and mailing to businesses.

1.2.2 Exterior Business Improvements

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase the safety, sense of place, and welcoming environment of

businesses in Armatage commercial nodes.

Strategy: Provide matching funds to businesses for exterior improvements.

Rationale: When asked to rank the highest non-housing funding priorities, the highest

number of handwritten survey comments indicated neighborhood appearance was a priority. In addition, 93.3% of respondents ranked neighborhood appearance as very important. Focus group participants noted the business improvements that had been made in Phase I and indicated an interest in seeing more improvements made in the future. **Relates to City Goal: Create an environment that maximizes economic development opportunities within**

Minneapolis by focusing on the City's physical and human assets.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Armatage business owners

Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED)

Contract Administrator: CPED Economic Policy and Development Division

Schedule: Research and Planning: 2005-06

Funding: 2006 – \$10,000

Resources: \$10,000 in NRP funds

Administrative support from Armatage Neighborhood Association.

Leveraged matching funds from business owners: \$10,000

How:

Coordinate with Armatage Business Association.

□ Work with CPED to establish program guidelines and maximize funds

from available sources.

☐ Promote program in ANA newsletter and through mailings to businesses.

1.3.1 Neighborhood Events

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase community identity through awareness of, and participation in,

community events.

Strategy: Host annual neighborhood events.

Rationale: Approximately 80% of survey respondents indicated that neighborhood events

were either very or somewhat important. Participation in neighborhood garage

sales initiated in Phase I has been consistent and viewed as a positive neighborhood event. Relates to City Goal: Promote public, community, and private partnerships to address disparities and to support strong,

healthy families and communities.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Armatage Park

Armatage Community Council

Contract Administrator: N/A

Schedule: Events to be held annually: 2003-2009

Funding: \$0

Resources: In-kind support of volunteers

Donations from area businesses and residents

Fees from garage sale participants

ANA Staff (See administrative funds: B 1.4.1)

How:

Establish ANA Events committee.

☐ Work with partners to plan and present meaningful events to promote

community spirit and encourage volunteerism for NRP activities.

1.3.2 Neighborhood Newsletter

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Increase community identity through awareness of, and participation in,

community events.

Strategy: Continue publishing neighborhood newsletters to inform residents of

neighborhood current events.

Rationale: Consistently across neighborhood focus groups, residents referenced the

Armatage neighborhood newsletter as a communication tool that informs them about their community. In addition, residents spontaneously commented on the neighborhood surveys that they felt the neighborhood newsletter was a helpful method of communicating information. **Relates to City Goal: Strengthen City government management and enhance community engagement.**

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Citizen Participation Staffing (as available)

Contract Administrator: NRP

Schedule: Funding: 2005 - \$3,000; 2006 - \$3,000; 2007 - \$3,000; 2008 - \$3,000; 2009 -

\$3000

Resources: \$15,000 in NRP funds

CDBG grant funds as available 2005-2008 ANA Staff (See administrative funds: B 1.4.1.1)

How: Utilize volunteers and staff to write, edit, and publish neighborhood

newsletter, which is delivered to every property in the Armatage

neighborhood.

1.4.1 NRP Coordinator

Goal: Preserve Armatage as a vibrant, supportive community for people who

live and work here.

Objective: Maintain the capacity of the Armatage Neighborhood Association through

staffing support. Increase the effectiveness of neighborhood organization during plan implementation. Leverage non-NRP funds to increase project

impact.

Strategy: Continue to fund a part-time NRP Coordinator to assist the ANA in the

planning of its Phase II NRP Action Plan, and ensure non-personnel

organizational support.

Rationale: Although the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board and Committees are

all volunteers, the ANA can benefit from the continued administrative support of a part-time NRP Coordinator to maintain its viability and capacity in the neighborhood. The coordinator will provide continuity between the completion of Phase I and planning of Phase II. In addition, the ANA will need non-personnel funds to continue its functions, and will look to reutilize remaining funds to assist in these processes. **Relates to City Goal: Strengthen City government management and enhance community engagement. Promote public, community and private partnerships to address disparities and to**

support strong, healthy families and communities.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Contract Administrator: NRP

Schedule: Phase II Plan Development Advance Fund: 2002 - \$23,111

Resources: \$23,111 of the 25,000 in NRP funds (see budget, page 20)

In-kind support from neighborhood volunteers

How: Utilize ANA Personnel committee to develop job description, advertise the

position, and select a qualified applicant.

2.1.1 Implementation

Goal: Assure positive outcomes for the neighborhood during implementation of

the remaining Phase I and the Phase II Action Plan.

Objective: Increase accountability for NRP funds.

Strategy: Provide planning, monitoring, evaluation and oversight and leveraging

assistance to implement the strategies remaining in the Phase I plan and in the Phase II plan. Work with the city to facilitate neighborhood input on housing and commercial development proposals, zoning, or rezoning, and

variance requests.

Rationale: Although the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board and Committees are

all volunteers, the ANA can benefit from the continued administrative support of a part-time NRP Coordinator to maintain its viability and capacity in the neighborhood. In addition, the ANA will need non-personnel funds to continue its functions, and will look to reutilize remaining funds to assist in these

processes. Relates to City Goal: Strengthen City government management and enhance community engagement. Promote public,

community and private partnerships to address disparities and to support

strong, healthy families and communities.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Contract Administrator: NRP

Schedule: Implementation Funds: 2005 - \$1,889

Resources: \$1,889 of the \$25,000 in NRP funds (see budget, page 20)

In-kind support from neighborhood volunteers

How: Utilize ANA Personnel committee to develop job description, advertise the

position, and select a qualified applicant.

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NRP Coordinator Budget

Personnel:

Year 2002 – 03 – Prepare Phase II Plan

Participation Agreement

Coordinator and Consultant = \$23,111
Staff \$15,000
Communications \$7,311
Supplies/Office \$800

Year 2005 - Part-time Coordinator

Approximately 5 hours/week for 16 weeks/year @ \$20/hr. = \$1,600

Non-Personnel:

Year 2005

| Insurance | \$100 | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--|--|
| Communications | \$100 | | |
| Supplies | \$25 | | |
| Meetings (child care) | \$50 | | |
| Contingency | \$14 | | |
| Year 2005 Total | \$289 | | |

Total Safety Allocation: \$26,000 (7% of the ANA NRP Phase II funds are designated for

safety programs)

1.1.1 Responsible Driving Program

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Increase the level of traffic safety on neighborhood streets and alleys.

Strategy: Implement a program to encourage responsible driving in our

neighborhood. Program may include a lawn sign campaign, alley speed bumps, grants to blocks to implement safety measures, and use of city

speedwagon.

Rationale: Although traffic issues were not specifically included in the survey,

respondents often included handwritten comments about concerns with increased level of traffic, speeding, and more frequent traffic violations. In addition, these same concerns were shared by attendees in five of the six focus groups. Relates to City Goal: Build communities where people feel safe

and trust the City's public safety professionals and systems.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Minneapolis Police Department Ward 13 City Council Office

Lynnhurst and Fulton Neighborhood Associations

Contract Administrator: DFD, Police, or Public Works

Schedule: Research and Planning 2005-06

Funding: 2006 - \$6,000; 2007 - \$3,000; 2008 - \$1,000

Resources: \$10,000 in NRP funds

In-kind resources from Minneapolis 5th Precinct and Ward 13 Offices

How:

Establish an ANA Safety committee.

□ Work with partners to determine most effective approaches to safety

concerns.

□ Develop and implement program.

1.1.2 Slow Traffic Speeds

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Increase the level of traffic safety on neighborhood streets and alleys.

Strategy: Slow traffic speeds through additional alley signs, stop signs at

uncontrolled neighborhood intersections, and investigate the addition of

stop lights along Xerxes Avenue.

Rationale: Although traffic issues were not specifically included in the survey,

respondents often included handwritten comments about concerns with increased level of traffic, speeding, and more frequent traffic violations. In addition, these same concerns were cited by attendees in five of the six focus groups. Relates to City Goal: Maintain the physical infrastructure to

ensure a healthy, vital, and safe City.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Ward 13 City Council Office

Minneapolis Public Works Department

Hennepin County

Contract Manager: N/A

Schedule: Research and Planning: 2004

Installation of additional stop signs or lights: 2005

Resources: \$0 in NRP funds

Stop signs from Ward 13 allocation budget

How:

Establish an ANA Safety committee.

□ Work with partners to determine most effective traffic control measures.

1.2.1 Community Safety

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Increase neighborhood safety.

Strategy: Work with existing city programs or create new neighborhood programs

to provide information, training, and equipment to promote both public

and personal safety.

Rationale: Survey respondents feelings of security on their property were rated the third

lowest of eight neighborhood safety factors. In addition, spontaneous survey comments reflected concerns about increased garage thefts and home burglaries in the neighborhood. The safety and security of Armatage residents, businesses and property owners can be increased through safety workshops, training for emergencies, and safety related equipment. The neighborhood will utilize existing city programs, such as crime and safety training or emergency

preparedness training, or will work with experts to develop neighborhood safety programs. Participants in these programs may also be offered opportunities for rebates or matching grants for safety related equipment such as: deadbeat locks, motion detector light installation, window locks, home security systems, or fire extinguishers. Existing government programs or departments may receive funds from this strategy to expand training or to purchase equipment, which promotes and protects public safety. **Relates to City Goal: Build communities where people feel safe and trust the City's public safety professionals and systems.**

Partners: Minneapolis Police Department, 5th Precinct Sector Lieutenant,

and Crime Prevention Specialist

Emergency Preparedness Minneapolis Fire Department 13th Ward Council Member

Armatage Neighborhood Association

Contract Administrator: N/A

Schedule: Research and planning: 2005

Resources: \$0 in NRP funds or when available

How:

Establish an ANA Safety committee.

□ Develop positive relationships with public safety professionals.

☐ Review existing programs for applicability to neighborhood issues or

develop neighborhood specific programs.

☐ Promote program through ANA newsletter.

1.3.1 Neighborhood Lighting

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Improve lighting in neighborhood streets and public spaces.

Strategy: Inventory lighting needs of the neighborhood along streets, alleys, and at

Armatage Park and School.

Rationale: On our neighborhood survey, respondents rated street and alley lighting the

highest in concern of eight neighborhood safety factors. Respondents also cited street lighting as a non-housing neighborhood priority. In addition, participants

in every focus group identified a lack of lighting as a safety concern,

particularly street lighting and at Armatage Park. Relates to City Goal: Build

communities where people feel safe and trust the City's public safety

professionals and systems.

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association

Minneapolis Public Schools

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

Public Works

Contract Administrator: N/A

Schedule: Research and planning: 2003-04

Assessments: 2004-05

Resources: \$0 in NRP funds or when funds become available

□ Work with the City Council Member to petition for assessments.

□ Promote lighting needs in neighborhood newsletter.

1.4.1 "Know Your Neighbor" Program

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Increase communication between neighbors on blocks and between blocks

and the ANA.

Strategy: Create a "Know Your Neighbor" Program to encourage neighborhood

involvement and increase neighborhood spirit. Program activities may include recruiting block contacts, distributing welcome packets, offering grants for block projects, and increasing the visibility and utility of the

neighborhood web site.

Rationale: During neighborhood focus groups, residents consistently identified block

leaders as a critical means for getting up-to-date information about the neighborhood. The Know Your Neighbor program would be a neighborhood-driven program to identify one person on each block who would be willing to be a broader source of information for their neighbors. The contacts would be able to distribute welcome packets to new neighbors and inform them of important neighborhood meetings. In addition, the block contacts could be linked through

an upgraded neighborhood web site for access to the latest community

information. Strong neighbor-to-neighbor links through this program could be an effective safety measure for our residents. **Relates to City Goal: Promote public, community, and private partnerships to address disparities and to**

support strong, healthy families and communities

Partners: Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

Local businesses and service providers

Web design specialist

Contract Administrator: NRP

Schedule: Research and planning: 2005-06

Block recruitment: 2005-06

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | Total |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|---------|
| Web design upgrades | 2,000 | ı | ı | - | - | \$2,000 |
| Web site maintenance | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | \$500 |
| Welcome packets/other materials | | 2,000 | 6,000 | 1,400 | 100 | \$9,500 |
| Block grants | 400 | 900 | 1,400 | 1,000 | 300 | \$4,000 |

Resources: \$16,000 in NRP funds

In-kind donations from area businesses

How:

Establish an ANA Safety committee.

 $f \Box$ Work with committee to develop and implement the most effective

approaches to the program.

☐ Promote program and recruit participants through ANA newsletter.

1.5.1 Community Oriented Public Safety Initiatives Reserve Fund (COPSIRF)

Goal: A neighborhood that looks and feels safe.

Objective: Increase police presence in the Armatage neighborhood.

Strategy: Partner with other Southwest Community neighborhoods to access funds

from the COPSIRF for commercial area beat/bike patrols, alley sweeps, Crime Prevention activities, and directed patrols in Armatage and the

surrounding neighborhoods.

Rationale: The NRP set aside one million dollars for neighborhoods to partner with the

Minneapolis Police Department to provide additional services that meet the safety and policing needs identified by the neighborhoods. **Relates to City Goal: Build communities where people feel safe and trust the City's public**

safety professionals and systems.

Partners: Minneapolis Police, 5th Precinct Sector Lt. and Crime Prevention Specialist

Other Southwest Community neighborhoods -- Fulton, Kenny, Lynnhurst,

Tangletown, Windom.

Contract Administrator: Police

Schedule: 2004

Resources: \$9,762.50 from the NRP Phase II COPSIRF