

**MINNEAPOLIS NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM**

**KENWOOD ISLES  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
ACTION PLAN**

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**Action Plan****Summary**

This Action Plan represents a milestone in the Kenwood NRP process than began almost two years ago with the thought that the neighborhood could make it's own difference by collectively identifying its vision, issues and needs. Since its start, it has involved thousands of hours and hundreds of individuals' creative, collaborative, analytical and problem solving skills.

Throughout this process, we solidified our understanding of what we like about the neighborhood and wily so many are dedicated to its further preservation. In learning about these shared values, it's been important to pay serious attention to those concerns that pose greatest threat to the neighborhood, most notably the potential for deterioration of personal safety, parks & recreation, natural environment and transportation systems.

Attention to neighborhood issues became more focused throughout this :ARP process. Issues were identified and clarified and better defined through use of surveys and series of community meetings. Ways to address these concerns were accomplished through creating Task Forces which focused on defining specific objectives, strategies and resource needs.

And while the focus on concerns became more keen, involvement of its citizenry broadened to include an expanded base of residents, who also accessed and coordinated needs with resources and talents of individuals and organizations beyond the immediate neighborhood. Letters of Support representing this coordination are included in the Appendix Inasmuch as this Plan deserves acknowledgment for representing the progress made, it is well recognized that the Plan is no more than a milestone representing a step in the right direction, helping to leading us toward addressing our common concerns and making Kenwood a place where we want to continue to live proudly.

*(Note: 'We recognize that housing is typically an important focus of NRP funds. However, Kenwood enjoys a healthy housing stock, lacking vacant units that require attention. Coupled with survey findings that indicate housing conditions are not an important concern, this Action Plan directs resources toward issues that help the common good of the neighborhood rather than individual dwellings.)*

## Neighborhood Profile

### Neighborhood Boundaries

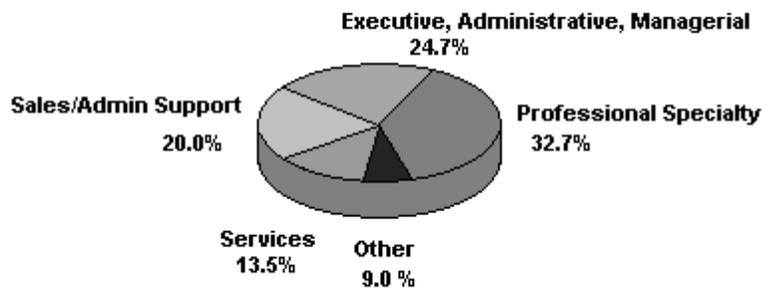
Kenwood's neighborhood boundaries are defined by Cedar Lake Park on the west and north; Kenwood Parkway on the north; West Lake of the Isles on the east; and Kenilworth Place and Lake of the Isles to the south.

These boundaries are much narrower than many typically think. Kenwood is often believed to include neighborhoods extending further east and west, and a number of businesses on Hennepin Avenue bear the Kenwood name.

### Residential Demographics

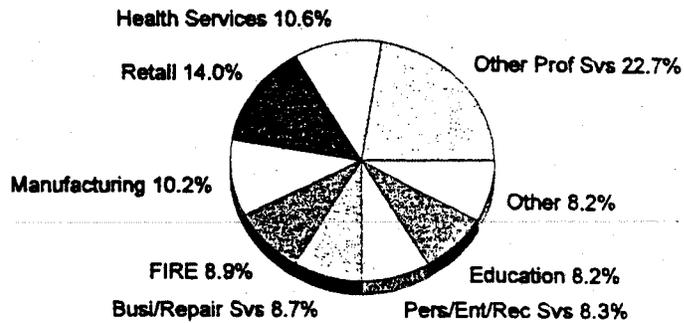
Demographics are summarized in the table on page 7. The neighborhood has been long considered affluent. A 1983 book published by the University of Minnesota Press, *Where We Live*, even referred to Kenwood as the "protected genteel"; so labeled because of its historic architecture, affluent demographics and lack of major arteries running through the neighborhood. Many of these references are accurate, but sometimes misleading. Kenwood is not the land of the "idle rich."

Occupations of Kenwood Residents

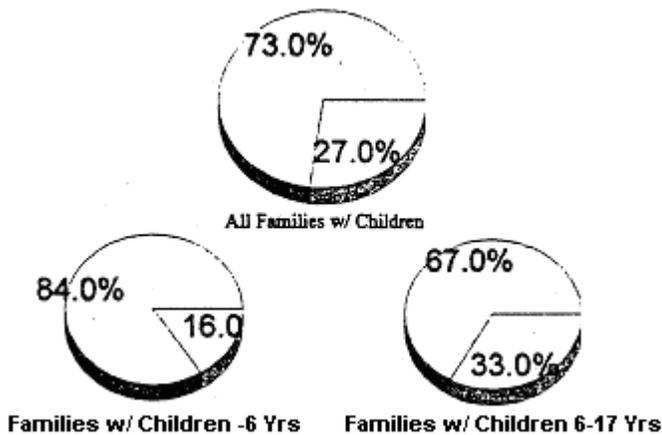


Kenwood is home to those employed in a diverse base of service and professional industries including: professional services; health care services; retail; finance, insurance, real estate (referred to as "FIRE"); business and repair services; entertainment personal and recreational services; and education. Together these service occupations account for 81.6% of all lobs held by Kenwood residents.

**Primarily in Service Industries**



**Many Dual-Working Parents**

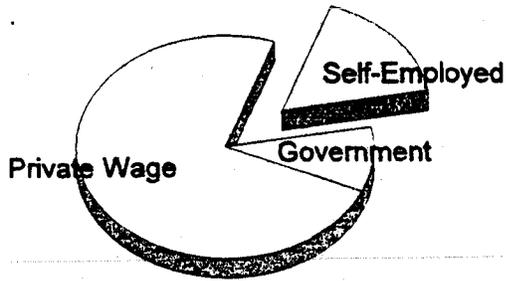


Importantly, there is a large share of households where both spouses work.

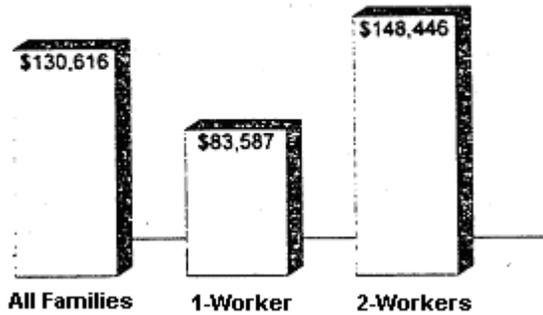
In 1990, half of all women living in Kenwood worked. In threefourths (73%) of all families with children; both parents work. The share of families where two parents work is even greater (84%) in families with children under age six.

Also significant is the number of Kenwood residents who are self-Employed. Based on the 1990 Census, one-sixth (16.6%) were classified as self-employed.

### Many Self-Employed

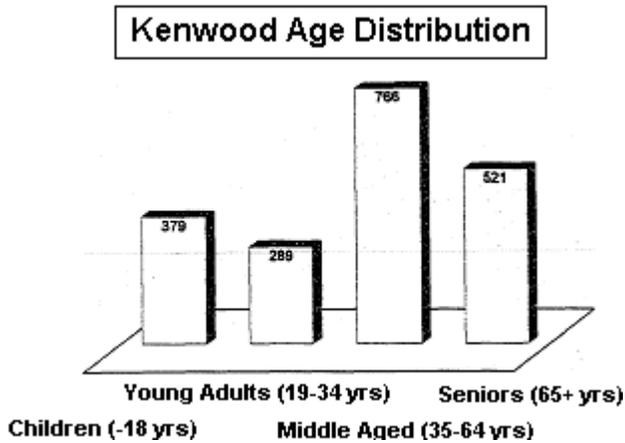


### Both Spouses Professionally Employed



Median incomes were \$80,190 for all households and \$97,036 for all families in 1989.

Mean incomes of families (shown left) were \$130,616. These data are shown to illustrate that incomes almost double when both spouses versus one spouse works, and that both spouses are highly paid and often professionally employed.



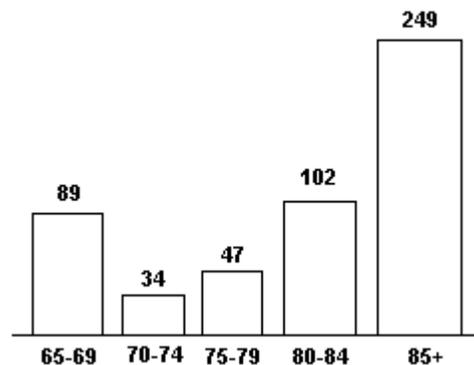
Statistics show there are many seniors in Kenwood. The 1990 Census figures show that persons over 65 years represented 27% of the population, actually outnumbering children.

However, these numbers are misleading. Further review of the data about Kenwood's 521 senior aged 65+ population show that...

.. Most of Kenwood's seniors are very old. Two-thirds (351) were aged 80+ years in 1990.

Also ...

### A Very Old Senior Population

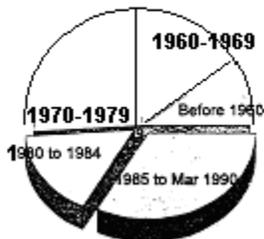


... Most of those aged 65 or older live in "group quarters" despite their Kenwood address. Thus includes retirement or nursing homes. Since Kenwood does not have any retirement or nursing homes within its boundaries, these seniors are registered in the neighborhood but do not actually live here.

**Most seniors are Non-Resident**



**Recent Move-Ins to Kenwood**



Not only do we see attrition of Kenwood's senior population, but recent trends indicate that new, younger households are increasing as a proportion

The 1990 Census; data show that more than half of all Kenwood homes were moved into since 1980. The interest in the neighborhood is not just a result of the early 80's real estate boom. Fully one-third of all units were moved into since 1985.

And those new residents are busy improving the housing stock. One can just look around and count the number of industrial garbage bins to recognize the extent and amount of remodeling and renovation projects taking place.

Kenwood.Demographic Profile (1990)		
Size	Number of Residents	1,955
	Number of Households	684
	Number of Families	449
Housing	Homes built before 1939	76%
	Single Family Units	80%
	Owner Occupied	84%
	Median Value	\$289,000
	Number of 9+ Units	
Education	High School Diploma	86%
	Bachelor's Degree or Higher	58%
Race	Race: %White	99%
<b>Work/Employment</b>	% Employed	98%
	Professional/Managerial	57%
	% Self-Employed	17%
Household Income	Median	\$80,000
	in Poverty	0
Age	0-18 years	19%
	19-29 years	9%
	30-49 years	30%
	50-64 years	15%
	65+ ears	27%

Business,  
Recreational and  
Cultural  
Attractions and  
Amenities

- Kenwood's "central business district" is at 21st Street & Penn Avenue South. While small, it is a vital and concentrated destination for neighborhood commerce and socialization. The business district includes Isles Market & Deli (the "little store"), local services (currently veterinarian, dentist, tailor, picture framing), and Kenwood Cycle. Other elements include educational, recreational and cultural amenities. These elements attract many visitors from outside the neighborhood: Lake of the Isles: Many residents are drawn to "walk the lakes." A past study said that half the visitors are drawn from the suburbs.
- "Hidden Beach - Although this is a great natural resource, it is used by many from outside the neighborhood. Some people in the neighborhood are reluctant to use it because of safety concerns.
- Kenwood Elementary School: According to Dr. Gwen Jackson, Principal of, Kenwood Elementary, about 65% of the school's students come from outside the immediate neighborhood.
- Cedar Lake Park: Not yet developed, plans project that this park will attract people from the greater metro area.
- Kenwood Recreation Center: This facility is "home" to many groups drawn from outside the immediate neighborhood.
- Kenwood Park
- Lake of the Isles Church
- Architectural attractions (including the "Mary Tyler Moore" house)
- Water tower (historic landmark)

## Neighborhood Planning Process

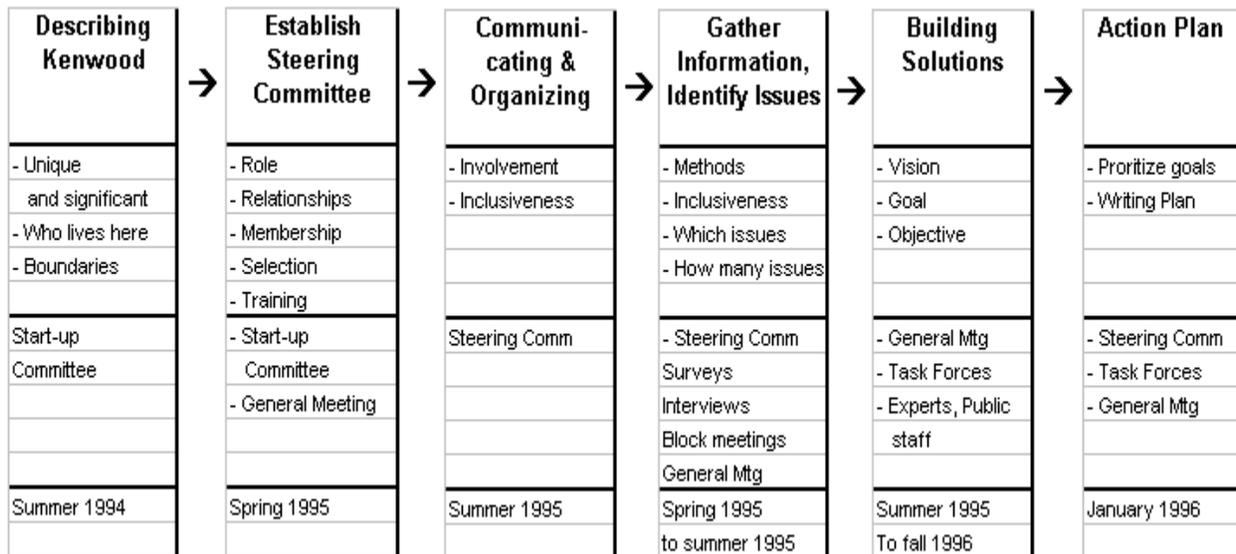
The Kenwood NRP facilitated a planning process that actively sought the information and involvement of its members (residents, as well as cultural and business organizations), and supported the neighborhood Task Forces to coordinate efforts with local governing agencies.

We experienced a high level of community involvement throughout the process including:

- A strong turn-out (171 voters) at the election of the Steering - Committee
- A very good response rate (47%) to the community-wide Neighborhood Survey
- An exceptional response rate (about four-fifths) to the targeted Hidden Beach Survey
- More than 100 persons involved throughout the Kenwood NRP process

Components of this process are generally described below.

## Kenwood NRP Process



Time Line

Activity	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J
Develop Participation Agreement	█																
<b>KIAA Approval of Participation Agreement</b>				█													
Sign Contract/Receive Funds				█													
Targeting Organization Efforts				█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
Elect Steering Committee						█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
Data Collection						█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
<b>Identify Issues</b>									█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
<b>Develop Task Forces</b>									█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
<b>Task Forces Develop Plans</b>										█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
<b>Neighborhood Review of Plan</b>																	█
<b>Neighborhood Approval of Plan</b>																	
<b>KIAA Board Approval of Action Plan</b>																	█

## **Neighborhood Action Plan**

### **Vision and Mission Statement**

Kenwood is blessed with many fine neighborhood characteristics. We are surrounded by urban lakes and parks, our residents are collegial and involved, and, as urban dwellers, we have easy access to the best Minneapolis has to offer.

Given the unique character and livability of Kenwood, our mission is simple: keep it that way. We propose to do thus by preserving and enhancing our lakes, parks and recreation areas, celebrating Kenwood's urban setting while ensuring our resident's safety and security, and managing both our streets and our parks and open spaces so that they are used appropriately and safely.

## Crime and Safety (\$181,000)

### Introduction

In response to the Spring, 1995 Neighborhood Revitalization Project survey, the Kenwood NRP Steering Committee formed a crime and safety task force. The goals of this task force were to learn how safety and security issues affect our neighborhood and to find practical solutions to the problems raised by those issues. The task force invited representatives from various public agencies and other groups familiar with Kenwood to help it reach its goals. We learned that our neighborhood's remarkable characteristics give it an excellent opportunity to deal with those issues, and make it easy for us to pinpoint and deal with those areas that do or could present problems.

For example, Kenwood has overall crime rates that rival, and are even lower than, those of the most desirable Metro-area suburbs. However, Kenwood's rate of theft by unforced entry (52%) is over three times greater than that of the entire city (17%). Also, the vast majority of crime here is directed against property, not against people. These facts suggest that most Kenwood residents justifiably feel safe here, so safe that they do not take some relatively simple precautions to protect their property.

Two features contribute to Kenwood's unique character: the attractiveness of the residential area and nearly being surrounded by remarkable urban parks and therefore its geographic isolation. While these features make Kenwood a desirable place both to live and visit they also contribute to attracting many from outside the neighborhood, who pass through Kenwood and use the parks responsibly. However, some areas of the parks, notably Hidden Beach, sometimes attract people whose behavior is illegal and/or threatening. This behavior would be unwelcome in any neighborhood.

Our research persuades us that a dramatic approach to the neighborhood's problems were neither needed nor wanted. Rather, our approach is to increase our neighbors participation in crime prevention and safety programs, to encourage appropriate use of city parks and, last, to create a stronger sense of community in Kenwood and foster its relationships with local government.

This Statement therefore includes education programs related to safety and security, law enforcement addressed at specific patterns of illegal activity, and a plan of ongoing community activities and activism that will involve the neighborhood in whatever development takes place within and near its boundaries.

**Crime & Safety  
Goal**

To maximize the safety and security, both real and perceived, of people and property in our neighborhood.

Crime and Safety  
Objective 1

To Reduce the incidence of crime within our neighborhood with focus on theft and property damage.

Crime and Safety  
Strategy 1.1

Implement a program for the purchase and installation of home lighting/security hardware for neighborhood residents to improve the neighborhood's overall residential lighting and safety. KIAA will develop and administer a program to encourage installation of such items as motion detector lights, photo cell lights, timer lights, and window and door locks in private residences by educating residents on the need for such items and sharing the cost of materials in a matching dollar program.

**When:** Spring 1996 and thereafter

**Who:** KIAA, residents, Community Crime Prevention/ S.A.F.E

**Cost:** \$16,000

**Resources:** Kenwood NRP \$16,000

**Contract Manager:** KIAA/N R

Crime & Safety  
Strategy 1.2

Increase the safety and security of our neighborhood through 5th Precinct police buy-back program, focusing on areas of concern which may be identified from time to time, such as Cedar Lake Park. KIAA will purchase and schedule as desirable off-duty police officer time for neighborhood squad car and bicycle patrols through the 5th Precinct in collaboration with the Minneapolis Park Police. These patrols would promote police-neighborhood relations and help reduce the crime associated with certain areas in the neighborhood.

**When:** Mid-May through mid-September, as needed for 3 years.

**Who:** KIAA, City Police (5th Precinct & Park Police)

**Cost:** \$57,600 (\$32.00/hour x 20 hours/week x 20 weeks/year x 3 years). We anticipate that this program will increase the safety and security of the affected areas as time passes. Funding therefore will be appropriately distributed over the life of the program, with the expectation that the annual allocations will decrease.

**Resources:** Kenwood NRP \$57,600

**Contract Manager:** Minneapolis Police Department/Minneapolis Park Police

Crime & Safety  
Objective 2

To build a sense of community through education and communication directed toward increased citizen participation in neighborhood safety and security programs.

Crime & Safety  
Strategy 2.1

Implement KIAA-administered education projects with a focus on neighborhood crime statistics, crime and safety tips, organization of block clubs, and increased neighborhood use of CCP/SAFE: programs. KIAA will work with CCP/SAFE to hold regular educational programs and meetings yearly for two years.

**When:** Two years starting Spring 1996

**Who:** KLAA, CCP/SAFE, residents, safety and security experts to be identified, Implementation Coordinator (See Implementation Coordinator Goal)

**Cost:** \$5,000 (Promotion and distribution - \$2,500/year x 2 years)

**Resource:** KUA NRP

**Contract Manager:** KIAA/NRP

Crime & Safety  
Objective 3

To increase the sense of personal safety on and in public property in our neighborhood.

Crime & Safety  
Strategy 3.1

Increase the number of KIAA/NRP-sponsored neighborhood activities on park property in and abutting our neighborhood. KIAA and the Implementation Coordinator (See Implementation Coordinator Goal) will underwrite and promote events as above.

**When:** Three years as desirable

**Who:** KIAA, Implementation Coordinator (See Implementation Coordinator Goal) residents, Minneapolis Parks & Recreation Board (MPRB).

**Cost:** \$3,600 (Postage, promotional materials and supplies for NRP related activities)

**Resource:** KIAA/NRP

**Contract Manager:** KIAA/NRP

Crime & Safety  
Strategy 3.2

Work with appropriate city agencies to ensure that services affecting crime and safety are provided throughout the neighborhood and at park properties in and adjoining our neighborhood. One of the Implementation Coordinators' (See Implementation Coordinator Goal) duties will be to work with the appropriate government and private agencies to reduce crime in and raise the safety of our neighborhood.

**When:** Spring 1996 and thereafter

**Who:** KIAA, MPRB, Park Police, City Police, Sanitation

**Cost:** None

### Crime & Safety Strategy 3.3

Establish a fund, reserved for capital expenditures and supporting design studies if necessary and desirable, to ensure the development of Hidden Beach, Cedar Lake Park, Lake of the Isles Park, and other areas of concern which may be identified from time to time, consistent with the neighborhood's safety and security concerns. KL A in collaboration with the Park Board will release these funds at its sole discretion for projects including, but not limited to, acquisition, trail development, park entrances, lighting, landscaping, signs and rest area. Unused funds will revert to the general safety and security needs of the neighborhood.

**When:** Spring 1996, for-as long thereafter-as-permitted-by NRP

**Who:** KIAA, residents, Mpls Park Board

**Resource:** KIAA NRP **Cost:** \$98,800

**Contract Manager:** Mpls Park Board

## **Parks and Recreation (\$130,000)**

### **Background**

At the heart of any neighborhood is a park and a school. Kenwood neighborhood is very lucky to have both. Kenwood School was built in 1886 and Kenwood Park was established in 1888. Both the School and the Park have been a focal point in the neighborhood for many years drawing families together. The goal of this committee is to keep this area safe, fun and friendly for the next 100 years and beyond.

A new playground for the School and Park has been a vision of parents in the neighborhood and the folks at the Kenwood Recreation Center since the winter of 1993 when a number of parents and teachers voiced concerns about the safety of the play equipment at both sites. In response to an overwhelming concern identified through the Kenwood NRP survey, a playground task force was formed. It quickly became evident that the Task Force should be a cooperative effort among the School, the Rec Center and the neighborhood on this project. Parents with children in Kenwood School were recruited on to the task force as were representatives from the school.

We would like to create a plan area that is safe and handicap accessible for both the School and the children of the neighborhood. These improvements would maintain an intimate park area that serves all the needs of the neighborhood, the Rec Center, and the school. Our cooperative effort has resulted in pledged funding of \$50,000 from the Minneapolis School. NRP Fund and \$30,000 from the Lowry Hills NRP funds. We are seeking additional funding from Kenwood School and the adjacent neighborhoods. Along, with our Kenwood NRP dollars, we are well on our way to a completed project which we anticipate will cost about \$210,000.

### **Parks & Recreation Goal**

Enhance the current recreation facilities of the park and neighborhood school to provide an inviting, safe place for people to gather and enjoy activities which foster a sense of community.

Parks &  
Recreation  
Objective 1

Provide a safe, handicap accessible, outdoor play space for the community which will integrate the park and school playgrounds to maximize their usage and increase the safety of athletic fields while preserving the natural environment of the park.

Parks &  
Recreation  
Strategy 1.1

Improve the safety and handicap accessibility of the school playground. This includes new play equipment/renovation of play area increasing the size of the play area to include the existing tot lot at Franklin E" Oliver and the Kenwood School playground.

**When:** Spring 1996 - -Who: Mpls- Public- Schools, KIAA, Park Board

**Cost:** \$100,000-120,000

**Resources:** Mpls Public Schools \$50,000(+\$10,000 contingency fund)

KIAA NRP \$50,000(+\$10,000 contingency fund)

**Contract Manager:** Minneapolis Park Board

Parks &  
Recreation  
Strategy 1.2

Upgrade Kenwood Park playground equipment for safety and accessibility of the community. This includes the renovation of play area/installation of a tot lot for children ages 2-5. Installation of benches around the play area, picnic tables and grills near the area and a handicap accessible sidewalk from the corner of Franklin and Penn to the play area.

**When:** Spring 1996

**Who:** KIAA NRP, Lowry Hill NRP, Park Board Cost: \$88,000

**Resources:** KIAA NRP \$58,000; Lowry Hill \RP \$30,000

**Contract Manager:** Minneapolis Park Board

Parks &  
Recreation  
Strategy 1.3

Increase safety of athletic fields located in Kenwood Park. This includes installation of a barrier along the first baseline of field #2 and a backstop at field #6. Purchase one soccer goal set, install permanent bases on fields 2,3 and 4, aerate soccer and baseball fields and fill in ruts and install a small T-Ball backstop on field #6.

**When:** Spring 1996

**Who:** KIAA, Park Board, Lowry Hill NRP Cost: \$13,450

**Contract Manager:** Minneapolis Park Board

**Resources:** KIAA NRP \$12,000 Mpls Park Board \$1,450

**Environment (\$30,000)**

## Introduction

A careful review of the responses gathered from the neighborhood survey left no question that the water quality of our lakes, particularly Lake of the Isles, was the greatest environmental concern among Kenwood residents.

A secondary but related concern was pet waste and the general use of trails around the lake.

In the course of regular meetings since the beginning of September, including discussions with Minneapolis Park Board staff and Park Police, -it--became-clear that-the-greatest- impact- we could have would be through educating the residents about the significant impact we all have on water quality through everyday activities and the things we can do to ensure that impact is a positive one.

With the aid of the aforementioned discussions as well as conversations with the Minneapolis Department of Public Works, Hennepin County Extension, other neighborhoods bordering the lakes, and residents of Kenwood, we have formulated the following goals, objectives and strategies.

Environment  
Goal

Educate residents so as to improve environmental quality and appearance of the Chain of lakes, and encourage respectful usage of surrounding areas.

Environment  
Objective 1

Increase residents' awareness of lake water quality and their involvement in its improvement

Environment  
Strategy 1.1

Provide a variety of educational formats, including but not limited to:

- Water quality issues workshop
- Printing and distributing water quality information to neighborhood residents
- Involving residents in storm sewer drain stencilling
- sponsorship of local media columns and programs

**When:** Begin Spring 1996, duration 3 to 5 years

**Who:** KIAA NRP, Minneapolis Park Board, Minneapolis NRP Multi-Neighborhood Clean Water Task Force, Minneapolis Dept. Public Works, Hennepin County Extension

**Cost:** \$28,000, allocated as follows:

\$5,000 workshops

\$6,000 postage

\$8,000 materials

\$5,000 multi-neighborhood task force

\$4,000 publicity, administrative, etc.

**Resources:** KIAA NRP

**Contract Manager:** KLAA/NRP

Environment  
Strategy 1.2

Request KIAA to send letter to lawn care and landscaping businesses urging environmentally responsible practices within the Chain of Lakes watershed.

**When:** - Spring 1996

**Who:** KIAA

**Cost:** \$100

**Resources:** KIAA NRP

**Contract Manager:** KIAA/NRP

Environment  
Objective 2

Increase awareness and compliance with existing path regulations and pet ordinances

Environment  
Strategy 2.1

Print and distribute path and pet ordinance information to neighborhoods once a year for five years.

**When:** Spring 1996

**Who:** KIAA Cost: \$1,900

**Resources:** KIAA NRP

**Contract Manager:** KIAA/NRP

## Transportation (\$55,000)

### Introduction

Another area of concern identified by the residents of Kenwood in our survey was traffic in and through the neighborhood, particularly its volume and speed. To address this concern, the Kenwood NRP Steering Committee established a Transportation Task Force. The Task Force met weekly and took great pains to ensure that all transportation concerns were being addressed.

We published notice of our meetings and an invitation for written or telephone comments in both the Hill & Lake Press and the Southwest Journal. We also spoke with Leonard Oppenheimer, acting Director of service at the MCTO, Mike Monahan from Public Works and many residents.

Of course, the Task Force itself is not authorized to decide conclusively the causes of our traffic volumes or speeds, but merely to direct that the Department of Public Works concentrate on identified problem areas in conducting its study and developing its Transportation Management Plan with further input from the neighborhood. Conducting the study and implementing suggested corrective measures therefore constitutes the crux of our plan and constitutes all of the 555,000 allocation. We also included other-considerations and plans for action which do not call for NRP dollars but which we feel will further our goal of improving life in the neighborhood.

We are looking forward to working with residents in conducting the Transportation Study and developing the Transportation Management Plan to address our traffic angst.

### Transportation Goal

Develop and implement a transportation management plan to improve the quality of life in the neighborhood.

Transportation  
Objective 1

Enforce existing traffic and noise regulations

Transportation  
Strategy 1.1

Work with the Fifth Precinct on an ongoing basis. Inform residents about noise ordinances and enforcement, which includes reducing speeds and noise levels. Focus particularly on enforcing the no left turn from Cedar Lake Parkway to Burnham Road, and speeds on Kenwood Parkway and Franklin.

**When:** First contact with Precinct to commence as soon as neighborhood approves Action Plan and to continue on an ongoing basis.

**Who:** Residents, Fifth Precinct and Minneapolis Park Police

**Cost:** None

**Resources:** Residents volunteer time as needed

Transportation  
Objective 2

Encourage alternate modes of transportation

Transportation  
Strategy 2.1

Educate people about the comprehensive Bike Pathway system, work with MCTO to educate people about Bus Route 1 and to ensure easy access to the bus and to reduce level of automobile transportation through the neighborhood.

**When:** Ongoing

**Who:** Transportation Task Force to disseminate information on Bike Pathway and Bus Route. MCTO to work on an ongoing basis with Task Force and KIAA to ensure bus route is satisfying neighborhood needs.

**Cost:** None

**Resources:** None. KIAA may possibly contribute the cost of disseminating the Pathway map. Alternatively, Hill and Lake Press may help with publication of same. Task Force and KIAA volunteer time, oversight by MCTO in response to neighborhood input.

Transportation Objective 3	Implement traffic calming techniques to slow and reduce the amount <i>of</i> traffic in the neighborhood.
Transportation Strategy 3.1	<p>Conduct a traffic study to determine trouble spots with emphasis on the Burnham-Sheridan-Kenwood Parkway corridor, speeds and safety along Franklin Avenue. Implement traffic calming techniques in response to study after broad-based input from the neighborhood through a series of educational and informational meetings.</p> <p><b>When:</b> Phase I study 1996. Implementation 1996, 1997  <b>Who:</b> Task Force, KIAA, <i>Public Works/Department of Transportation</i>, Minneapolis Park Board  <b>Cost:</b> \$55,000  <b>Resources:</b> 95,000 :NRP to conduct study; \$50,000 to implement traffic calming techniques indicated by study.. Possible contribution by CIDNA and Lowry Hill if traffic study indicates complementary goals with their respective traffic calming/redirection projects.  <b>Contract Manager:</b> Public Works</p>
Transportation Objective 4	Ensure adequate and safe parking for residents and guests.
Transportation Strategy 4.1	<p>Direct the traffic study to focus on parking problem spots, i.e.: Sheridan Avenue, Lake of the Isles Boulevard, Franklin Avenue along the Park. Implement suggested changes with input from residents most affected.</p> <p><b>When:</b> Phase I study 1996.  <b>Implementation</b> 1996, 1997  <b>Who:</b> Task Force, KIAA, <i>Public Works/Department of Transportation</i>  <b>Cost:</b> See Transportation Strategy 3.1  <b>Resources:</b> KIAA NRP \$5,000 to conduct study (incorporated in whole at Objective 3); \$50,000 earmarked for implementation includes solutions to parking problems/concerns. Possible contribution by CIDNA and Lowry Hill if traffic study indicates a dovetail with their respective parking projects.</p>

Transportation  
Objective 5

Ensure wheelchair-friendly access within the neighborhood.

Transportation  
Strategy 5.1

Incorporate this focus in the transportation study. Request the City to implement suggested changes, additions or methods to remove existing barriers.

**When:** Phase I study 1996. Implementation 1996, 1997.

**Who:** Task Force, KIAA, Public Works/Department of Transportation, with added participation on an ongoing basis with KIAA, City Council member and focus groups

**Cost:** See Transportation Strategy 3.1

**Resources:** KIAA NRP \$5,000 to conduct study (incorporated in whole at Objective 3); \$50,000 earmarked for implementation includes solutions to parking problems/concerns. Possible contribution by CIDNA and Lowry Hill if traffic study indicates a dovetail with their respective parking projects.

**Kenwood Implementation Coordinator (\$44,000 over 3 years)**

Introduction

Many of the activities identified in this plan require an individual responsible to coordinate and implement them.

Implementation  
Coordinator Goal

Provide opportunities for residents to be informed, included and involved with community decision-making relevant to the activities planned to address crime and safety, recreation, transportation and the environment.

Implementation Coordinator Objective 1	Coordinate and facilitate the activities identified in this plan.
Implementation Coordinator Strategy 1.1	<p>Provide funds for KIAA to hire an Implementation Coordinator responsible for implementing neighborhood objectives, with a focus on issues affecting safety, security and community organization. KIAA will work with NRP to find qualified community organizer to contract with KIAA to provide the services described above.</p> <p><b>When:</b> Three years starting upon approval of this plan  <b>Who:</b> KIAA, Implementation Coordinator  <b>What:</b> Implement Objectives 2 and 3 below and help implement Environment objectives (pages 20-22). Also help implement Transportation objectives (pages 23-26).  <b>Cost:</b> \$44,000 over three years (Compensation, supply, and operating budgets to be determined). Broken out by year generally as follows:  Year 1: \$20,000  Year 2: \$14,000  Year 3: \$10,000  <b>Contract Manager</b> KIAA/NRP</p>
Implementation Coordinator Objective 2	To build a Sense of community through education and communication directed toward increased citizen participation in neighborhood safety and security programs
Implementation Coordinator Strategy 2.1	<p>Implement KIAA-administered education projects with focus on neighborhood crime statistics, crime and safety tips, organization of block clubs, and increased neighborhood use of CCP/SAFE programs. KIAA will work with CCP/SAFE to hold regular educational programs and meetings yearly for two years.</p> <p><b>When:</b> Two years starting Spring 1996  <b>Who:</b> KIAA, CCP/: AFE, residents, safety and security experts to be identified, Implementation Coordinator  <b>Cost:</b> Crime &amp; Safety Strategy 2.1  <b>Resource:</b> KIAA NRP      <b>Contract Manager:</b> KIAA/NRP</p>

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Implementation Coordinator Objective 3	To increase the sense of personal safety on and in public property in our neighborhood.
Implementation Coordinator Strategy 3.1	<p>Increase the number of KIAA-sponsored and other neighborhood activities on park property in and abutting our neighborhood. KIAA and Implementation Coordinator will underwrite and promote events as above.</p> <p><b>When:</b> Three years as desirable <b>Who:</b> KIAA, Implementation Coordinator, residents, Minneapolis Parks &amp; Recreation Board (Link with the District recreation supervisor) <b>Cost:</b> See Crime &amp; Safety Strategy 3.1 <b>Resource:</b> KIAA NRP</p>
Implementation Coordinator Strategy 3.2	<p>Work with appropriate city agencies to ensure that services affecting crime and safety are provided throughout the neighborhood and at park properties in and adjoining our neighborhood. One of the Implementation Coordinators duties will be to work with the appropriate government and private agencies to reduce crime in and raise the safety of our neighborhood:</p> <p><b>When:</b> Spring 1996 and thereafter <b>Who:</b> KIAA, MPRB, Park Police, City Police, Sanitation <b>Cost:</b> None</p>

Appendix e Exhibits,

ACTIVITY	1996			1997			1998			1999			2000			96-00		
	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL	NRP HOUSING	NRP OTHER	TOTAL
Home Security Hardware		16,000	16,000															16,000
Police Buy-Back		30,000	30,000		15,000	15,000		12,600										57,600
Crime & Safety Education		2,500	2,500															5,000
Increase Neighborhood Activities		1,200	1,200		1,200	1,200												3,600
Safety & Security Capital Fund		98,800	98,800															98,800
School Play Area		60,000	60,000															60,000
Kenwood Park Playground		58,000	58,000															58,000
Kenwood Park Athletic Field		12,000	12,000															12,000
Water Quality Education		10,000	10,000		10,000	10,000		8,000										28,000
Lawn Care & Landscaping Letter		100	100															100
Path & Pet Ordinance Information		380	380		380	380		380										1,900
Traffic Calming		55,000	55,000															55,000
Implementation Coordinator		20,000	20,000		14,000	14,000		10,000										44,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>363,980</b>	<b>363,980</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43,080</b>	<b>43,080</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32,180</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>440,000</b>
PERCENT FOR HOUSING	0.00%			0.00%			0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%			0.00%
APPROVED EARLY ACCESS	0			0			0		0		0		0		0			0
NRP APPROPRIATION NEEDED	363,980		363,980	43,080		43,080	32,180		380		380		380		380			

NOTE: Allocations to activities within each year are subject to change depending upon timing and other project-related issues, but totals for each activity and for each year will not exceed approved levels.

Kenwood Acton Plan (ZKENWOOD.XLS)

1/18/1996

Prepared By: John Hoeff 673-5238

ACTIVITY			COMMENTS	CONTRACT MANAGER
Home Security Hardware				NRP
Police Buy-Back				Police
Crime & Safety Education				NRP
Increase Neighborhood Activities			Pending final legal opinion	NRP
Safety & Security Capital Fund				Park Board
School Play Area			Schools- \$50,000 from their 7.5% NRP & Park Board to be Contract Mgr.	Park Board
Kenwood Park Playground			Lowry Hill NRP will put \$30,000 towards this project	Park Board
Kenwood Park Athletic Field			Mpls. Park Board will put \$2,450 toward this project	Park Board
Water Quality Education				NRP
Lawn Care & Landscaping Letter				NRP
Path & Pet Ordinance Information				NRP
Traffic Calming				Public Works
Implementation Coordinator				NRP
Kenwood Action Plan (2KENWOOD.XLS)				
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ROBERT K. OLSON  
CHIEF OF POLICE



M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kenwood Isles NRP Steering Committee  
FROM: CPS Mike Rumppe and Officer Ed Belmore  
DATE: December 18, 1995  
RE: Kenwood NRP Proposal

We would both like to express our complete satisfaction with your NRP proposal established by your Safety and Security Task Force. Many parts look at the real issues within the neighborhood and address them in both a proactive and reactive fashion.

The hardware program, the hiring of a community organizer and the desired increase of block clubs should go a long way to help reduce the unforced burglary rate in this neighborhood which is one of the highest rates in the city.

The police buyback program is an excellent reactive short-term program that will help with the highest call load safety issue in the neighborhood, Hidden Beach. This will allow the proactive environmental design changes for Hidden Beach to be implemented while the buyback program is in place.

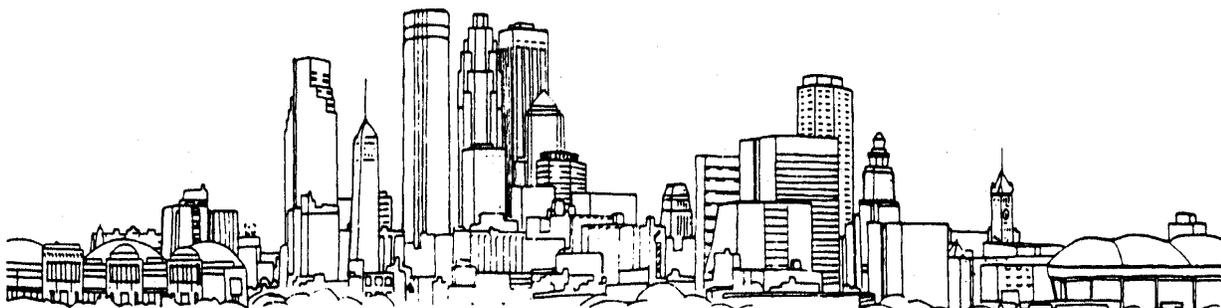
It is obvious to us that the planning process for this proposal was both thorough and exhaustive and deals with the real safety issues we deal with everyday in this neighborhood. We look forward to helping you implement this wonderful program.

<sup>more</sup>  
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Officer Ed Belmore

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Rumppe".

Mike Rumppe  
Crime Prevention Specialist



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December 12, 1995

Steering Committee  
Kenwood Isles NRP

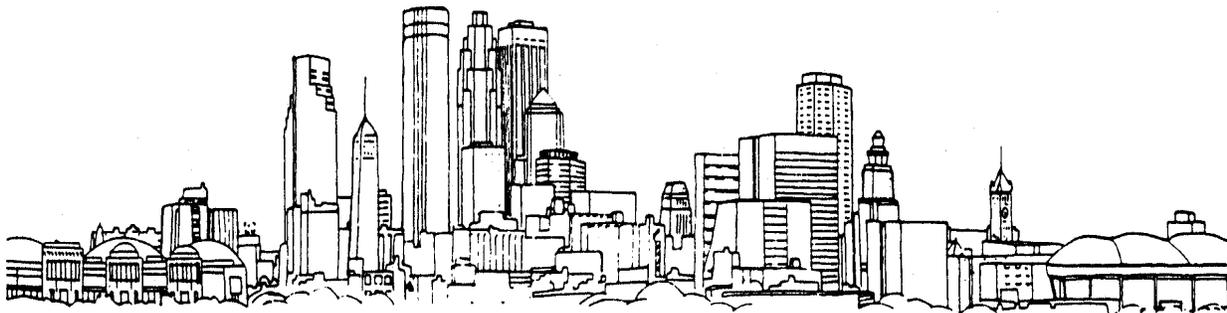
Dear Committee,

I have recently met with Bob Day and have read the Safety and Security Task Force proposal for submission to your committee. I am writing in support of the proposal, especially where it impacts our Police Department.

First of all enhanced lighting has not only been shown to be popular but also effective. Increased lighting leads to discovery and apprehension--two main things the burglar/vandal is attempting to avoid. Most burglars enter through unlocked doors or windows. They are always seeking the easiest point of entry that creates the least amount of noise. Although it is near impossible to completely burglar-proof your home the use of door and window locks greatly deters entry because of difficulty and noise created. A very good strategy against crime, both intruders and vandals.

Another strategy which indirectly impacts our crime-fighting is education and neighborhood cooperation. The most successful burglars are the ones who can case a neighborhood and commit their crimes undetected. By banding together in block or watch clubs, these perpetrators do not have the luxury of hanging around undetected. Neighbors, who are the experts at determining who belongs and who does not, watch out for each other and become the eyes and ears of the Police. Also as I indicated earlier, most burglars enter through unlocked doors and windows. This becomes an educational problem, that if successful decreases crime significantly. CCP/SAFE does an excellent job of educating and bringing neighbors together to join in our Community-Policing effort.

The third and most important area impacting crime and our Department is funds for police buy-back programs. This initiative has proven extremely effective and popular in the neighborhoods it has been implemented in. It not only enhances the neighborhood's perception of security, it actually does decrease



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crime and increase safety. It allows the officers to concentrate in a specific neighborhood and meet the people. Because they are not driven by the 9-1-1 system and responsible to answering calls precinct wide, they can spend time concentrating on the community's crime or safety problem and possible long-term solutions as well as the immediate relief. Buy-back beats are typically accomplished either on foot or on bicycle (if the officers are certified) lending to a higher visibility and police presence. This also gets them out of the car and meeting the citizens. Officers are required to keep a log of their activity and an information board is maintained for all officers working the beat to exchange information regarding incidents and suspicious vehicles or persons in the neighborhood. This program has a large impact due to the concentrated patrol versus an occasional squad passing through the neighborhood on the way to a 9-1-1 call. I hope this adequately explains our support and we look forward to assisting in the implementation of these programs.

Sincerely,



Inspector Bradley C. Johnson  
Fifth Precinct  
So.

Commander, Fifth Precinct  
2429 Nicollet Av. So.  
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Coordinator of Readiness Collaboratives MEMO

Fax 612/627-2699

November 8, 1995

TO: Gwen Jackson

FROM: Maureen Bazinet

RE: Kenwood NRP Playground Project

This memo can be used in discussing the funding package for Kenwood's NRP playground project. Once the neighborhood and school agree on the scope of the project and the needed funding, a final recommendation can be brought before the Minneapolis Public Schools' NRP Team and then on to the Board.

It is my understanding that the total playground project is projected at around \$100,000 and that the Kenwood neighborhood would like a neighborhood NRP and Minneapolis Public School NRP split of \$50,000 each. Based on other neighborhood/school playground projects, this seems like a reasonable match.

Ginny said that she will be meeting with you and the playground task force tonight. The next NRP Team meeting is December 14th. Perhaps at that meeting Ginny can come with a recommendation from your group. Let me know, if you need any additional information.

cc: Ginny Craig  
Don Haydon

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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

December 15, 1995

Ms. Peggy Galvin  
1936 Kenwood Pk.  
Minneapolis, Mn. 55405

Dear Ms. Galvin:

A few parents, teachers and I began meeting about two years ago to discuss the possibilities of making the playground, at Kenwood, a safe and fun place for people of all ages to enjoy. We greatly appreciate the support of Kenwood Isles Area Association and the progress made thus far with the Neighborhood Revitalization Project process. We are in full support of creating an outdoor play space for students and the community to *enjoy*. We will continue to provide whatever support is needed to ensure the completion of this project.

Sincerely,

Gwendolyn P. Jackson, Ph' Principal  
December 6, 1995



Peg Galvin  
Kenwood Park NRP  
1936 Kenwood Parkway  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

Dear Peg:

This letter is in response to your attached list of proposed Athletic Field Improvements and purchase of supplies to upgrade playing areas. The list, in addition to outlining the task, will show who; Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) or Kenwood Park and Recreation Task Force (KPRT) is responsible for what.

1. One set of soccer goals with wheels for the north soccer field between diamonds #3 and #4, size T x 12'. MPRB will purchase. MPRB - \$900.00
2. Plant a hedge along first baseline of field #5 to camouflage safety fence, see item #3, which will also be installed along 1st base to separate playing field from automobile traffic on Franklin Avenue. KPRT Task Force will purchase plantings from a selection of species on the attached list. MPRB will plant and assume ongoing maintenance as part of annual expense. One word of caution here: residents along Franklin Avenue directly across from Field #2 have been very vocal with our Forestry people on issues such as placement and types of plantings. It is imperative that they be part of the project.  
KPRT - \$700.00      MPRB - \$500.00
3. Install fence along Franklin Avenue as part of item #2. Estimated cost \$550 - \$600, KPRT will purchase. MPRB will install and store.  
KPRT - \$600.00      MPRB - \$200.00
4. Field Improvements
5. Move field #3 slightly to the east to make the existing manhole further from the field of play. Party responsible - KPRT with technical assistance from MPRB.

- Remove wooden bases from field #5. Party responsible - MPRB
- Add ag lime substance to fields #2, #3, #4 and #5 - party responsible - KPRT with technical assistance from MPRB.
- Purchase small backstop for field #6 to better designate field of play. Party responsible -MPRB will purchase.
- Aerate existing soccer fields - party responsible - MPRB
- Install permanent bases for diamonds #3 and #4. MPRB will purchase, MPRB will install.
- Install rubberized covers for manholes on field #5 - Party responsible MPRB

Total Cost Item #4

KPRT - \$8,300.00 MPRB - \$850.00

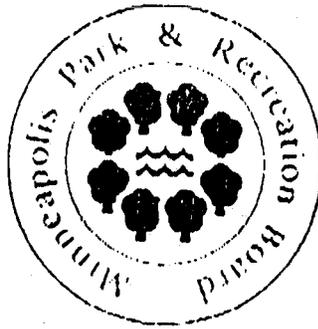
Yours truly,



**Jack Palmer**  
**Park Planner**

JP/ck

Enclosures



January 9, 1996

Bob Day  
Kenwood Isles Area Association  
NRP Steering Committee  
7450 France Avenue S. # 101  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55435

Dear Mr. Day;

This letter is to acknowledge Kenwood Isles Area Association's plans and interest in working with the Park Board to improve conditions at the Hidden Beach area on Cedar Lake. It is my understanding that you have worked closely with Al Singer of the Park Board's Environmental section in developing your proposals. He will be working on the design team through the Environmental Section.

We are initiating a comprehensive planning process for the Chain of Lakes. As an initial part of the planning process we will be collecting all neighborhood plans for elements which they wish to see for the lakes.

Therefore, your proposal is very timely and enables us to incorporate this in planning considerations for the lakes.

Yours truly,

Albert D. Wittman  
Assistant Superintendent for Planning  
ADW/ck



# MINNEAPOLIS PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Minneapolis, MN 55409-1029  
(612)370-4777 FAX: (612)370-4831

December 29, 1995

Mr. Bob Day, Kenwood Isles NRP  
c/o 7450 France Ave. S., Suite 101  
Minneapolis, MN 55435

Dear Bob:

Congratulations to you and your neighborhood for all the work and thought that has gone into your NRP statement of goals, objectives, and strategies. We are happy to assist you in whatever ways we can to carry out your plan.

We support your efforts to maximize safety and security in your neighborhood. With the amount of parkland in and abutting Kenwood Isles, we have always played a significant role in providing you safe parks.

While we will continue to provide you that service as part of our normal operations, we recognize that there are times when additional patrol and security, above and beyond that which can be made available, is helpful toward maintaining a desirable level of safety and security. For that reason, we support your proposal to seek funding for police buy-back.

Our experience has been that buy-back is just one option to consider when approaching a problem. I caution you that it is not always cost effective, and needs to be scheduled carefully and wisely to be sure that it is really attacking the roots of whatever problem is being addressed. However, when there is a need for additional police presence that normal patrol cannot provide, and the additional "purchased" patrol is scheduled carefully and wisely, it may be quite effective.

What we ask is that if the buy-back funds are made available to you through NRP, that we establish the protocol for obtaining the necessary officers when tire need arises. You must understand that because of the normal needs of our department and the 5th precinct, the program cannot be "police on demand." We will need enough lead time to obtain the necessary staffing. If the problem being addressed is a general neighborhood problem, the staffing would most likely be arranged by the 5th precinct command staff. If the problem is uniquely one involving park property, our park police supervisors are the ones that should be contacted.

We look forward to working with you as you implement your plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Capt W.A. Jacobs".

Commanding Officer

Captain William A. Jacobs,  
MINNEAPOLIS PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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