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Windom Community Council Nature Friendly Windom/Environmental Sustainability and Water Management Scope of Services & Budget

Background - Another of the highest rated priorities that came out of our Windom neighborhood survey were preservation and advancement of energy/environment and greenspaces. The Windom neighborhood has a mix of both residential, commercial, and industrial areas with limited water runoff infrastructure. WCC would like to focus on strategies that are environmentally sustainable and manage water runoff as we are within the Minnehaha Creek Watershed district. WCC would partner with Metro Blooms and other community organizations/businesses to provide rain gardens and boulevard bioswales.

Resources - Reallocating \$30,000 of Community Participation Program (CPP) funds from Neighborhood Priorities/Reserve to Neighborhood Priorities/ Environmental Sustainability and Water Management.

Partners – WCC, Metro Blooms, City of Minneapolis: Public Works, University of Minnesota: Extension Program/Master Gardeners, Hennepin County: Pollinator Program, Wild Ones, Fresh Water Society: MN Water Stewards Program, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, Windom residents, Other partners.

Responsibilities – The Windom Community Council will:

- In consultation with our partners identify best practices in developing and implementing pilot projects for Windom rain gardens and boulevard bioswales.
- Develop environmental sustainability and water management information resources for residents and business owners.
- Evaluate resident engagement in this project.

This budget is to provide support to residents for implementation of 18 rain gardens or boulevard bioswales in the Windom Neighborhood that best meet their property environmental goals. Project expenses may include consultation/design fees, materials, signage, plants, and other garden/green cost items.

Budget:

Rain Gardens/Boulevard Bioswales (Estimated \$1,583 X 18)	\$28,500
Project Support	\$1,500
TOTAL	\$30,000

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