

## **District 15 Plan Initiation Work Plan for Planning Commission**

### **Goal**

The Highland District Council's main goal in updating the existing District 15 plan is to make sure it fits with the City's Comprehensive plan, reflects the aspirations and visions of our neighborhood and helps frame the objectives and strategies to guide future growth and development in the Highland Park neighborhood.

### **Major Issues to be Addressed**

The Steering Committee will work with neighborhood stakeholders to have a district wide engagement for community priorities and issues in Highland Park. The Committee will look at how development projects (including, but not limited to the Ford site, Riverview Corridor, Great River Passage, Sibley Plaza, and the Snelling Avenue Zoning Study) impact the neighborhood. The Committee will also examine transportation, land use, parks and recreation, housing, water resources, historic preservation and public art in our community and how to best fulfill diverse community needs in each area.

### **Proposed Time Line**

January 2017 -Initiate the Steering Committee

March –July 2017 -Community Engagement and Outreach

End of October 2017 -Submit a draft of the plan for informal review

Nov – Feb of 2018 -Take feedback on the draft and make changes

March of 2018 submit a plan to the City for Review

### **Staff and Financial Resources**

HDC Staff time

- from initiating the study, providing the initial work plan, identifying and helping to invite Steering Committee members, promote all engagement events,
- Resources – printed materials, develop surveys, website, articles,
- Volunteers –neighborhood, HDC Board, HDC Staff, HBA, Steering Committee

PED Staff

- 3 to 4 large Steering Committee Meetings
- Some Public engagement
- Potential committee, or smaller topic area specific meetings

### **Stakeholders**

HDC Board  
Highland Business Association  
Steering Committee  
Faith Based Organizations  
Schools  
West 7<sup>th</sup> Business Association  
St Kate's  
Residents in all types of housing, whether they rent or own  
All participating organizations will help with outreach, volunteering, community meetings,  
Engagement Process  
Community meetings  
Targeted outreach  
Topic meetings  
Events  
On-line surveys  
Under represented demographics –work with U of MN GIS to help identify  
Seniors/ Senior Organizations

## **Expected Outcomes of the Plan**

At the end of the process the District 15 Plan will be updated to ensure compliance with the City's Comprehensive Plan, will reflect the vision of the Highland Park community and address major issues that exist in District 15, which in turn will help frame the overall objectives and strategies to guide future development in the neighborhood.