

Proposal: Neighborhood Priority Plan

St. Anthony West Neighborhood Organization

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The St. Anthony West Neighborhood Organization (STAWNO) requests that it be allowed to use up to \$20,000 of its 2014-2016 CPP funds, including roll-over funds, for the creation of a Small Area Plan (SAP) for the neighborhood. This effort is an extension of our Community Outreach strategy (*Community Outreach and Development 2.1.b, page 12*) in the approved St. Anthony West NRP Phase II plan.

STAWNO's goal is to create a professional document that lays out our community's shared vision for development and land use for the next 10 to 20 years. The document will guide current and future members of our Board of Directors, as well as our constituents, committees and elected officials, on how best to advocate for our neighborhood on land use and planning issues.

STAWNO will hire a consultant well versed in navigating Small Area Plan processes. We are in the process of creating a Request for Proposals. STAWNO will coordinate and continue to meet with City of Minneapolis planning staff on this process. Our goal is to develop a SAP that the City Council will incorporate into the city's Comprehensive Plan.

STAWNO and the hired consultant will engage neighborhood residents, businesses, local places of worship, various government jurisdictions and other stakeholders in providing input into this SAP so that all voices have an opportunity to be heard. We will also engage our neighboring communities who share our borders. We are the recipient of a ReadyGo creative staffing grant pilot that will enable us to engage constituents in a new way of looking at small-area planning and visioning for our neighborhood.

We expect that the bulk of the funds will be budgeted to the consulting firm.

The STAWNO Board of Directors has voted to approve efforts to access \$20,000 in CPP funds for this project.