

## Lowry Hill Neighborhood Priority

# Public Realm Improvements

Support projects that improve the public realm in Lowry Hill through targeted investments in landscaping, street furnishings and related infrastructure. Projects may include, but are not limited to:

- Douglas Median Landscape Project
- Fremont-Mount Curve Triangle Landscape Project

**Neighborhood Priority Funds:** \$51,500

### Background:

The recent infrastructure realignment of Hennepin and Lyndale Avenues along the borders of Lowry Hill and Loring Park has heightened awareness of the challenges and opportunities inherent in major changes to the public realm. Within this context, residents of Lowry Hill are prioritizing and targeting specific locations where investments in landscaping, street furnishings and related infrastructure can incorporate green design and enhance the safety and aesthetic experience for pedestrians, cyclists, drivers and residents in general.

### Neighborhood Support:

In a neighborhood survey conducted in the spring of 2014, with 194 respondents, many neighbors comments focused on improvements to streetscapes, greening, pedestrian safety, parks and open space, etc. And, the recent infrastructure realignment of Hennepin and Lyndale Avenues along the borders of Lowry Hill and Loring Park has heightened awareness of the challenges and opportunities inherent in major changes to the public realm. Within this context, residents of Lowry Hill prioritized and targeted specific locations where investments in landscaping, street furnishings and related infrastructure can incorporate green design and enhance the safety and aesthetic experience for pedestrians, cyclists, drivers and residents in general.

Over the past year and half, the LHNA Neighborhood Priorities committee and LHNA Board have discussed this priority at two annual meetings and taken a series of actions to support investment in Public Realm Improvements.

### LHNA Board and community approval of items under this Priority:

June 7, 2016	\$10,000 for water conduit from Walker Art to Douglas median
April 11, 2017	\$20,000 for Douglas median landscape project
	\$7,500 to establish landscaping in the median over 3-year period
June 6, 2017	\$4,000 For Fremont/Mount Curve triangle landscape projects
July, 2017	\$4,000 additional funds for Fremont/Mount Curve triangle landscape projects
	<u>\$6,000 additional funds for water conduit installation</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$51,500</b>