

Grandview Update
December 2013

Community Advisory Team – This month, the Team continues to prepare a Request For Interest (RFI) document to help the City select a development partner for the vacant Public Works site at Eden and Arcadia. At the December meeting, the Team heard from Ann Kattreh, Parks and Recreation Director and Michel Frey, Arts Center Manager. The shortcomings of the existing Art Center site were discussed as were gaps in Edina’s current parks and recreation facilities.

Preparation of Request for Interest (RFI) – This month, City staff prepared a second draft of the RFI document based on the concerns and suggestions discussed at the November Team meeting. This draft will again be revised based on Team comments submitted in December. Additional revisions are anticipated after data regarding community facilities and programming is available in January. The preliminary document will be discussed with the City Council at a work session scheduled for Tuesday January 21, 2014. This document is anticipated to be released in first quarter 2014.

Resident Survey – The research experts at Morris Leatherman Company are on track to conduct a poll of Edina households to learn more about resident’s needs and concerns regarding community programs and facilities in the Grandview area. The preliminary questionnaire is being revised to better address the key concerns. Thanks to the CAT volunteers, Edina Parks and Recreation and Edina Community Education staff for helping shape a meaningful set of survey questions. The telephone survey will be delivered in early January 2014.

Facility Inventory – Weber Community Planning is nearly complete with their inventory of community facilities in (and around) Edina. This draft report will be completed in mid-December and will be discussed at the next Team meeting in January.

Upcoming Meetings - The next meetings of the Community Advisory Team will be held: Monday January 6, 2013 (6:30 to 8:30 PM, Edina City Hall, 1st floor Conf Rm) and Monday January 13, 2014 (7:00 to 8:30 PM, Edina City Hall)

Business Updates: A new Banfield Pet Hospital and HealthSource Chiropractic have opened at 5028-5107 Gus Young Lane. These businesses occupy the former Blockbuster Video site. A new Starbucks has opened inside the remodeled Jerry’s grocery store.