

Grandview Update

November 2015

Public Works Site – Redevelopment Planning

The general concept for re-use of this City-owned parcel was most-recently discussed at the Sep. 1 City Council work session. [The presentation materials are found here.](#)

The preferred scenario includes a significant new public facility complemented by a new private facility that returns a portion of the property to the tax roll. [Conceptual sketches and drawings of the preferred scenario are found here.](#)

The preferred scenario includes five core elements:

- New, multi-generational, multi-purpose community facility (at least 60,000 square feet);
- New, outdoor public space including public plaza and transportation improvements;
- New parking structure for shared parking, including potential Metro Transit Park-n-Ride;
- Access to railroad right-of-way in case of future transit;
- New multi-family residential on the south portion of the site (approximately 170 units)

As a follow up to the work session discussion, the City recently engaged consultant teams to study issues related to the redevelopment of the Former Public Works site at 5146 Eden Ave. The City Council will take this new information into consideration before any decision is made about the property in 2016.

Grandview District-Wide Transportation Study

The first phase of the Grandview District Transportation Study began this month with a week-long period dedicated to information-gathering and study of existing conditions. The consultant team led by LHB with Nelson/Nygaard and Alta Planning was selected in response to the [Request for Interest](#) that was issued in August.

The week of Nov. 16, the team walked and drove through the District to experience the conditions first-hand. The highlight of the week was a large public meeting where alumni of the past Community Advisory Teams and new stakeholders identified shortcomings and suggested alternatives to the consultants.

Upcoming meetings are anticipated in February and March 2016. The final recommendation and report is anticipated to be complete in May 2016.

Community Facility Operations and Feasibility Study

Although the preliminary concept for a potential community facility was completed in September, more detailed programming, operational and financial feasibility studies are needed to fully understand the long-term needs and impact of a new public facility.

This month, the City engaged consultants to further study the operations and feasibility of a new multi-generational community center located at 5146 Eden Ave. [The staff report can be found here](#). This study will help inform Parks & Recreation Department staff and the Edina Park Board so that they can evaluate and make a recommendation to the City Council on facility and programmatic components of a potential community facility.

These efforts will be led by HGA Architects with assistance from Pros Consulting and Sutton & Associates. The work will begin this month and completed in Spring 2016.