

LNA Environment Committee
Meeting Notes February 2, 2023

Update on L2L Pollinator Grant - Last meeting on 01/31 with Kingfield/Tangletown reps attended by Lisa, Shannon, Holly on project status and next steps:

- Plants ordered from mainly Landscape Alternatives and another grower for some plants (like selfheal) that LA does not grow.
- We will need to purchase in Spring some shrubs and the Basswood for the Pillsbury Farm.
[Check if Shannon/Landcraft can help us get these.](#)
- Arrival/readiness of plants is uncertain for now - not expected until mid-late May.
- **Plant Sale** - We have ordered 25 Sun Garden and 25 Part Sun garden packs (18 plants in each) that will be available for sale to interested gardeners who did not receive the grant.
 - Organize a presale / Pick up sold plants the day of project plant distribution
 - Try to launch the sale mid-late February(?) and keep open for 2 weeks
 - Sarah will reach out to the previous designer to compose a plant sale brochure.
- Compost / Mulch- Grant recipients will receive vouchers to pick up their mulch (~¼ yd or 2 wheelbarrows) with their own vehicle before planting day. Landcraft will do the 5 larger Community site deliveries the Friday before planting day.
- **Planting Day Logistics - Proposed date June 2-3** maybe June 9/10.
 - We are hoping plants can be delivered directly to 5 Community Sites and the rest for the 45 Residential gardens to the LNA/SNAC building the day before planting date. Sarah will check on that. Shannon also offered the Landcraft site as backup if needed.
- **Proof of Installation** - need photos of before/after at each site.
 - [Need volunteers assigned to sites.](#)
- Communication/Questions - [Need volunteers to be a point of contact](#) for questions about their paintings and grant requirements. Also have handouts with details/info.
- **Next Meeting of L2L planning team is February 15th** - Hope to nail down dates and have more details about volunteer duties/recruitment.
- [Need to have a backup plan if someone doesn't pick up plants on the designated day.](#)

Litter Outta Lyndale Event - Proposed on Earth Day Saturday April 22nd (~9 am-noon)

- Confirm with Sarah if we can do this.
- We can get supplies from [City](#).
- Could just do morning gathering at SNAC/LNA - people pick up supplies, get block assignments (make big map with post-its for people to claim).
- Can we provide some donuts/coffee/juice?
- [Need volunteers - probably 2 shifts and 2-3 people each.](#)

LNA Environment Committee 'Business Card - We decided on a composite of the 2 options so Holly will do, submit for final approval and then get some printed.

LNA/SNAC Building Rain Garden - Need to do more Spring cleanups - Dig out weeds/Cup plant explosion (Josef will work on this to start then plan more garden work days). See if we can either fix/maintain the rain barrels or remove. See if Shannon/Landcraft can help get some Pollinator shrubs for the area between patio/Uhaul - Native Chokecherry (?) and drought tolerant grasses by parking lot and maybe just one other flowering plant (like Culver's Root). Need uncomplicated, easier to maintain plantings. See if Shannon can do really simple design.

LNA Community Gardens - (Pillsbury farm, 35XX Pleasant, Pocket Park, Blaisdell Garden) -

- Need to work on connections between gardens and LNA/neighborhood community.
- Find and communicate with reps from each site - So far I think we have Tim/Anna from Pleasant, Scott is Master Gardener at Pillsbury, Need Spanish speakers for other sites.
- Need to work on water conservation - review timers to restrict use/reduce waste.
- Need fundraising plan to make these gardens financially sustainable.
 - Could we do a fundraising drive where people could sponsor/support garden plots or contribute to expenses?
- Work on Garden Rules with garden reps that apply to all gardens.
- Provide overview of all the expenses for the gardens - water, taxes, insurance, shoveling, etc