PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET:

Sumner Oaks Homeowners' Association – Gateway Improvements

Background:

The Sumner Oaks Neighborhood is 15 years old and is represented by a voluntary homeowners' association. Sumner Oaks has two landscaped entryways into its neighborhood, of which only one, located on private property, is not equipped with irrigation and the other, on public property, has cracks in the neighborhood entry sign. In addition, a strip of bare frontage along Old Denton Road abuts the Sumner Oaks Neighborhood. Sumner Oaks proposes to make lighting, irrigation, structural, landscaping and sign improvements to enhance these areas to the benefit of both the neighborhood and passersby along Old Denton.

Proposal:

Sumner Oaks is proposing to improve their neighborhood gateway entrances by completing the irrigation system on a landscaped neighborhood gateway area at the northwest corner of Mirimar and Cambridge Drive, which is currently watered by a private resident. They also propose adding lighting and repairing a wall pillar at the main entry sign at Cambridge Drive and Old Denton, and adding trees north of there along Old Denton Road. The neighborhood will spend their funds on the private property site where one entryway area is located. The city's funds will only be spent on public property improvements. The neighborhood has made a priority of beautifying and maintaining these gateway areas and will continue to do such after completing the proposed project. They have discussed this proposal at meetings, door to door discussions, phone calls and reminder notes, as well as distributed support forms to the residents of the neighborhood. All of the feedback indicated that there was 100% approval of the project. The project contacts are Mr. Frank and Mrs. Paula Fornara, 1014 Sumners Court.

Budget/Materials/Labor:

The total budget for this project is \$9,007.65. Of this sum, the total grant request from the city is \$4,481.55, which equals 50% of the total grant request. Funding resources from Sumner Oaks total \$2,480. In addition, the neighborhood will provide for the future maintenance of the gateway entry sites. The neighborhood intends to work with the city to maintain the property along Old Denton on a more regular basis. Sumner Oaks has secured donated cash, tools (trailer), services (irrigation repair) and materials (tree) by the residents to help facilitate the project.

Neighborhood Advisory Commission Recommendations (NAC):

On June 8, 2000 the NAC heard presentations from the neighborhood associations regarding the Fall 2000 matching grant proposals. On July 13, 2000, the NAC discussed the proposals and voted on a recommendation. The Sumner Oaks proposal was voted on by the NAC and was **approved for recommendation with a vote of 8-0**.



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