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Hi, Council Member Coleman. Congratulations on your new position. You've probably heard about a small issue in our neighborhood of S. St. Anthony Park in the vicinity of Hampden Park, where Seth Richardson has tended a fantastic rain garden, which he inherited from the previous owner of the home he owns with his wife Lisa. Unfortunately, the rain garden was hit with an enforcement citation for including native plants that are too tall, is my understanding. We have great local rain gardens, but Seth's is the best. I hope some kind of policy arrangement can be found that allows for safe maintenance of the bee-friendly benefits we all enjoy there without needless intrusion by overzealous enforcement where there is no harm. Thank you for considering helping to find a good solution! --Brian Ahlberg, homeowner, 896 Raymond Ave.