



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Carter
Council President Brendmoen and Members of City Council

FROM: Charlie Vander Aarde, Chair, Neighborhood STAR Board *CVA*

DATE: April 23, 2021

SUBJECT: 2021 NEIGHBORHOOD STAR YEAR-ROUND PROGRAM

Background

On April 16, 2021, the Neighborhood STAR Board reviewed a funding request through the Ward 6 Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program for a \$10,000 grant to assist North East Neighborhoods Living at Home/Block Nurse Program with the creation of community senior garden space at 1961 Sherwood Avenue. Matching dollars of \$14,916 were pledged to this project.

Presentation

Rosemary Maranda Wallace, Program Director and Campbell Punnett, Food Access Vista presented their request of STAR grant funds to cover costs associated with the purchase and installation of raised vegetable garden beds. This non-profit organization has been serving area seniors from this location since 2007. The STAR request is part of a larger on-site project to include a rain garden and native plantings.

Review and Rating

Following a brief discussion, the Neighborhood STAR Board rated the Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program proposal on its own merit on a scale from 1 (low) to 5 (high) with the following results:

Rating	Project	Ward	Grant	Loan
3.75	NE Seniors Garden Project	6	\$10,000	\$0

Thank you for your continued support and assistance. If you have questions, or if staff can provide additional information, please contact Michele Swanson, 651-266-6574.

CC: Campbell Punnett