

# Community Engagement Assessment

*Please fill out this form if your project, program, or initiative includes community engagement. All Community Engagement Assessments should be filed as Petitions and Communications with the MPRB Board of Commissioners and submitted to the MPRB Engagement Portal on SharePoint.*

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**Division/Department: Planning Division**

**Level of Engagement: Inform**

**Project, Program, or Initiative Name: Kenilworth Channel Stabilization**

**Project Description (100 words recommended):**

The Kenilworth Channel retaining walls are in extremely poor condition and need to be stabilized. Just how the final channel edge will be stabilized has not been determined. A portion of the edge may remain a wall and/or portion may become a more naturalized edge, this project will determine the best approach for each segment of channel. In the 2019 capital improvement plan, the Board approved \$1,000,000 to begin the process of inventorying the wall and adjoining site, inform the community on the replacement of the wall and/or channel edge stabilization and begin construction of the initial phases of the wall/shoreline stabilization.

Review the criteria to determine the level of engagement that your program, project, or initiative falls under. Provide an explanation of how your project meets the criteria in the Justification section below.

Level of Engagement	Inform	Consult	Involve	Partner
<b>Engagement Goal</b>	To provide stakeholders with factual, accessible, balanced, and timely information to help them understand the project, program, or initiative.	To obtain stakeholder feedback on project, initiative, or program analysis, alternatives, or decisions.	To work directly with stakeholders throughout the process to ensure that perspectives are consistently understood, considered, and reflected in project, program, or initiative decisions.	To partner with stakeholders in each aspect of decision making in order to develop and implement collaborative project, program, or initiative solutions.
<b>Criteria to Determine Level of Engagement</b> (Which level of engagement best describes your project?)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This is a decision that should be based on technical, operational, or safety constraints only.</li> <li>This is a project, program, or initiative that does not result in a change in the type, location, or extent of the current facility or service.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This project takes place in a park that has been master planned.</li> <li>This a new city-wide initiative or program.</li> <li>This is a new public policy or public policy update.</li> <li>The outcome is likely to change based on community input.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This project requires a CAC.</li> <li>This project does not have other policy guidance such as an existing master plan or public policy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This program, project, or initiative is being developed in partnership with another agency or organization.</li> </ul>
<b>MPRB Promise</b>	MPRB will keep you informed.	MPRB will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge feedback, work to integrate stakeholder feedback into the alternatives, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will work with stakeholders for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and to incorporate recommendations to the extent possible.	The MPRB and partner entity will be accountable to their roles as negotiated in the partnership and regularly evaluate overall success of the partnership.
<b>Examples of project types</b>	Repaving a parking lot, cutting down a tree, beach or swimming pool closures, ADA improvements, rehab	Approved master plan design implementation, city or service area wide program development, public policy development, Participatory Project Scoping	Master plans, any process that includes a formal public body making recommendations.	Jointly owned and/or operated facilities, co-creation, public/private partnership, community led projects.

*This engagement grid was adapted from the IAP2 International Federation 2014 Public Participation Spectrum.*

**Justification (100 words recommended):** *Please explain how your project meets the criteria in the Engagement Grid on pg. 2. Provide a justification for each criterion corresponding to the Level of Engagement that will guide your project.*

This project's will utilized the Inform level of engagement because the main purpose of the project is to stabilize an existing channel and waterway connection within the Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Regional Park. There are very few variables to the project and the decisions that do exist are technical in nature.

**For projects, programs, or initiatives that fall under the Inform category of engagement:** what are your planned methods for informing the public? (i.e. posting on a project website, GovDelivery email blast, flyer onsite, multi-lingual and/or graphic information) *You do not need to answer this question if you are completing a CE Plan.*

1. A project page and email list will be maintained with regular updates throughout the design and construction timeline.
2. Direct mail correspondence will be sent to residents adjacent to the channel corridor planned for stabilization.
3. At least one informational Open House will be hosted in a nearby area for interested parties to learn about the project and ask questions of project staff.