LYNDALE PARK ROSE GARDEN
DESIGN 10.23.23
DESIGN CONCEPTS
DESIGN PRINCIPLES & GOALS

Site Identity
• Define the site’s identity
• Create connections between existing and new gardens
• Use accessibility best practices and design to link garden spaces
• Promote and enhance historic significance
• Maintain and repair fountains and other key site features
• Add additional memorable infrastructure
• Increase garden presence from the parkway
• Build relationship with Lake Harriet and surrounding programming

Accessibility
• Uniformly pave walkways
• Add sidewalks with crosswalks and curb cuts along Parkway and Roseway road
• Develop an ADA accessible trail through the arboretum
• Add restroom facilities with running water
• Increase seating and shade within garden spaces
• Introduce a Drop-off zone at the new entry from the Parkway
• Create accessible sidewalk connections between gardens
• Add new wayfinding and informational signage

Sustainability
• New stormwater treatment areas
• Locate stormwater treatment areas to capture nutrient runoff from gardens
• Update/Replace irrigation system to address leaks and water waste
• Increase tree canopy sitewide to replace aging/disease-stricken trees
• Add habitat for birds and pollinators with additional native perennial and shrub plantings
• Restore planting in areas disturbed by construction activities

Engagement
• Create a formal entry presence visible from the Parkway
• Create education opportunities re: green infrastructure, pollinator habitat and invasive species management etc...
• Identify opportunities to collaborate with youth employment and volunteer organizations
• Celebrate cultural events to promote wider use by a larger pool of demographic groups
• Collaborate with existing groups to promote the gardens and amenities
Lyndale Gardens Lake Harriet Focus Area Recommendations:

1. Add a multi-use two-way trail west of Roseway Road.
2. On Roseway Road, increase on-street parking that more directly serves the gardens.
3. Strengthen the physical and visual connection between historic rose gardens and lake including enhanced plantings and a raised road section between the lake trails and gardens. Keep views open to the lake.
4. As the crabapple bosque or grove at south side of gardens ages and declines, remove the trees to create a formal and historically appropriate access and gateway into gardens from the parkway.
5. Restore the gardens, respecting their historic integrity. Provide accessible paths to and within the garden, and comfort facilities, such as benches and shade, for visitors. Replace fencing with a style more suitable to the historic character of the gardens.
6. Reorganize and improve maintenance facilities west of Roseway Road, a shared restroom facility on the south end of the Roberts Bird Sanctuary parking lot. Restore unused areas to bird habitat.
7. Expand and improve the garden experience with added arboretum features and interpretation. Add accessible paths.
LYNDALE PARK GARDENS - PLAN IMPROVEMENTS

1. ROSEWAY ROAD ENTRY WITH ADA ACCESSIBLE RAMP
2. DROP OFF ZONE
3. IRIS GARDEN/ STORMWATER INFILTRATION
4. ADA ACCESSIBLE TRAILS THROUGH ARBORETUM
5. NEW/ PAVED EXISTING WALKWAYS THROUGHOUT GARDENS
6. ORNAMENTAL BRIDGE
7. SHADE TREES
8. NEW SCULPTURE NICHE
9. FORMAL ENTRY ON AXIS/ CONNECTION TO LAKE BEYOND
10. PASTORAL CLEARING
11. ORNAMENTAL TREE BORDER
12. RELOCATED CURB CUT

PROPOSED SITE IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE:
- UPDATING IRRIGATION SYSTEMS
- SEASONAL LIGHTING OPPORTUNITIES
- WAYFINDING
- FOUNTAIN RESTORATION
1. ADA ACCESSIBLE WALKWAYS
2. CURB CUTS + NEW ROSEWAY ROAD ENTRY
3. IRIS GARDEN/ STORMWATER INFILTRATION
4. ADA ACCESSIBLE TRAILS THROUGH ARBORETUM
5. NEW/ PAVED EXISTING WALKWAYS THROUGHOUT GARDENS
6. ORNAMENTAL BRIDGE
7. SHADE TREE CIRCLE
8. NEW SCULPTURE NICHE
9. FORMAL ENTRY ON AXIS, CONNECTION TO LAKE BEYOND
10. PASTORAL CLEARING
11. BORDER OF FLOWERING ORNAMENTAL TREES
12. NEW SHADE TREE PLANTING, TYP
13. PAVED GARDEN ENTRY AT ROSEWAY ROAD
OVERVIEW, ROSEWAY RD. ENTRY & MONUMENT

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