PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET:

Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization – Gateway Landscaping Redesign and Improvements

Background:

Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization (MRNO) is a 15 to 20 year old neighborhood that is funded by voluntary dues and individual contributions. For the past few years the Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization has been working to improve the appearance of the entryways to the Neighborhood. A survey was completed by the residents that demonstrated overall support for the project. As an initial result, Meadow Ridge applied for a Matching Grant in the Fall of 1999 and was awarded \$2,700 to commence the project. The Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization is interested in expanding the Fall 1999 project to include an additional intersection that is currently unimproved.

Proposal:

The Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization proposes to expand the scope of their Fall 1999 Matching Grant Proposal to include an additional intersection for landscaping improvements. The intersection is presently an unimproved intersection with weeds, and lies adjacent to one of the subject properties of the Fall 1999 Gateway Enhancement Proposal. The residents of Meadow Ridge maintain that this project will enhance neighborhood aesthetics and quality of life as well as promote fellowship and communication within the Meadow Ridge Neighborhood and the surrounding neighborhoods. The location of the proposed landscaping improvements is at the northeast corner at the intersection of Spurwood Drive and Hebron Parkway. The project contacts are Mr. Tim Hayden, 2031 Greenstone Trail, and Mr. Rick Lee, 4205 Spurwood Drive.

Budget/Materials/Labor:

The total budget for this project is \$4,400. Of this sum, the grant request from the city is \$2,200, or 50% of the total project cost. The resources committed by the Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization amounts to \$2,200. Of this \$2,200 in neighborhood resources, there are 94 hours (\$940) in sweat equity, \$530 in donated services and materials, and \$730 in neighborhood funds and other resources. It should be noted that this is the second proposal from Meadow Ridge this year and that the \$2,200 requested from the city is within the balance remaining from the potential \$5000 annual grant request allowed for an eligible neighborhood.

Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) Recommendations:

On November 11, 1999 the NAC heard a presentation from the Meadow Ridge Neighborhood Organization regarding the Neighborhood's Spring 2000 Matching Grant Proposal. On December 9, 1999, the NAC discussed the proposal and voted on a recommendation. The MRNO proposal was voted on by the NAC and was <u>approved</u> for recommendation with a vote of 7-1 (Smith opposed) with stipulations. The stipulation states that MRNO's first proposal must be at least halfway complete before funds for the second would be released for use.



The northeast corner of Spurwood Dr. and Hebron Pkwy. as it appeared before any work began.



The northeast corner of Spurwood and Hebron as it appeared while work was in progress.