# PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET:

## The Country Place, Inc. – Xeriscape Park Proposal

### Background:

The Country Place Neighborhood is 28-years-old and is represented by a mandatory homeowner's association. The Country Place, Inc. owns an undeveloped lot in their subdivision that has been a cause for concern in the past because of vagrancy and vandalism. The Country Place proposal is intended to deal with safety issues as well as provide a new amenity for the neighborhood.

#### Proposal:

Country Place is proposing to transform an empty lot (owned by Country Place, Inc.) in their neighborhood into a xeriscape park / wildflower habitat. Country Place has had the proposal in the planning stage for some time and has conducted surveys of property owners in the area. The survey results were favorable. The park is intended to serve as an aesthetic addition to the community as well as an educational resource for persons who are interested in learning about nature. The proposed park is located at the corner of Carriage Lane and Whippoorwill. The project contacts are Mr. Tony Natale, 2936 Woodcroft, and Ms. Susan Batterbee, 11232 Dwarf Circle (Dallas).

#### Budget/Materials/Labor:

The total budget for this project is \$19,313. Of this sum, the total grant request from the city is \$4,861.50, which equals 25% of the total grant request. Funding resources from Country Place include \$1,400 of the total. Of that \$1,400, Country Place will provide \$1,000 in cash from the association and \$400 is from individual contributions. In addition, the neighborhood will provide for the construction, design consultation and labor, and 464 man-hours for the purpose of making this project possible. Project donations include \$500 in plant materials.

#### Neighborhood Advisory Commission Recommendations (NAC):

On June 24, 1999, the NAC heard presentations from the neighborhood associations regarding the Fall 1999 matching grant proposals. On July 8, 1999, the NAC discussed the proposals and voted on a recommendation. The Country Place proposal was voted on by the NAC and was <u>approved</u> for recommendation with a vote of 6-0. NAC Commissioner Sharon Smith abstained from the vote.



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