

PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET:

Old Downtown Carrollton Association – Enhanced Lighting for the Gazebo & Trees

Background:

Carrollton's Old Downtown Square, which is one of the city's smallest public parks, began forming in the late 1800's. The Old Downtown Carrollton Association was formed in 1982 as a voluntary association for area stakeholders. The Old Downtown Carrollton Association proposes to improve the lighting of the "centerpiece" of Carrollton's Old Downtown Square – the gazebo and the 7 trees surrounding it. Currently there are some rapidly deteriorating lights attached to the gazebo. Twinkle lights are usually installed in the trees for the holiday season. The Old Downtown Carrollton Association proposes to replace the old lights on the gazebo with new and improved lights as well as adding lights to the trees that can be used year-round. These lighting improvements will enhance the appearance and strengthen the security of Carrollton's Old Downtown Square at night.

Proposal:

The Old Downtown Carrollton Association proposes to install new lights on the gazebo and on the seven trees located in Carrollton's Old Downtown Square bordered by Main St., S. Broadway, Fourth St., and S. Elm St. The first step would be to replace the existing lights on the roof of the gazebo with one dozen boxed sets of C9 commercial grade lights. Two multi-plugs and a timer will also be installed to operate the lights. The second step would be to run conduit to the eight trees located in Carrollton's Square. One of these eight trees has been cut down but electricity will be run to the stump where a replacement tree will be installed in the future. The branches of the seven trees will then be wrapped with 10 cases of indoor/outdoor lights. The project contacts are Ms. Pat Malone, 1110 W. Main St., and Ms. Lynne Hosid, 1019 S. Broadway.

Budget/Materials/Labor:

The total budget for the Old Downtown Carrollton Association project is \$6,720. Of this sum, the grant request from the city for Spring 2002 is \$3,360, which equals 50% of the total project cost. The funding resources committed by the Old Downtown Carrollton Association amount to \$3,360, which includes \$100 in sweat equity.

Recommendation:

The Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC) met on November 8, 2001 to formulate a recommendation to the City Council for the Spring 2002 Neighborhood Enhancement Matching Grant Projects (NEMGP). The NAC voted unanimously (8-0) to recommend the Old Downtown Carrollton Association Enhanced Lighting for the Gazebo and Trees Project for funding.



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FOURTH AVE. AND ELM ST.

