

Livable Communities Act

Livable Communities Demonstration Account

# 2020 Spring Round LCDA Pre-Development Funding Recommendation

June 15, 2020

Community Development Committee



# Livable Communities Demonstration Account Purpose

The Livable Communities Demonstration Account (LCDA) funds development or redevelopment projects that ***efficiently link housing, jobs, services, and transit*** in an effort to create inspiring and lasting Livable Communities.

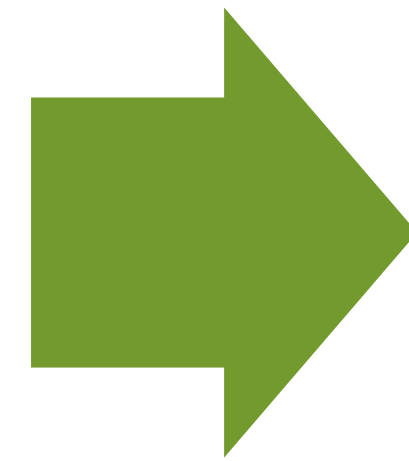
# 2020 Funding Availability

As part of the Fund Distribution Plan, the Council approved:

- Up to \$500,000 for LCDA Pre-Development grants to be awarded in two application rounds with \$250,000 available in each Spring and Fall funding opportunity

# Review Process

May 1, 2020: the Council received four LCDA Pre-Development applications



Applications undergo an evaluation by a staff team from the Community Development division

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## Option One

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## Option Two

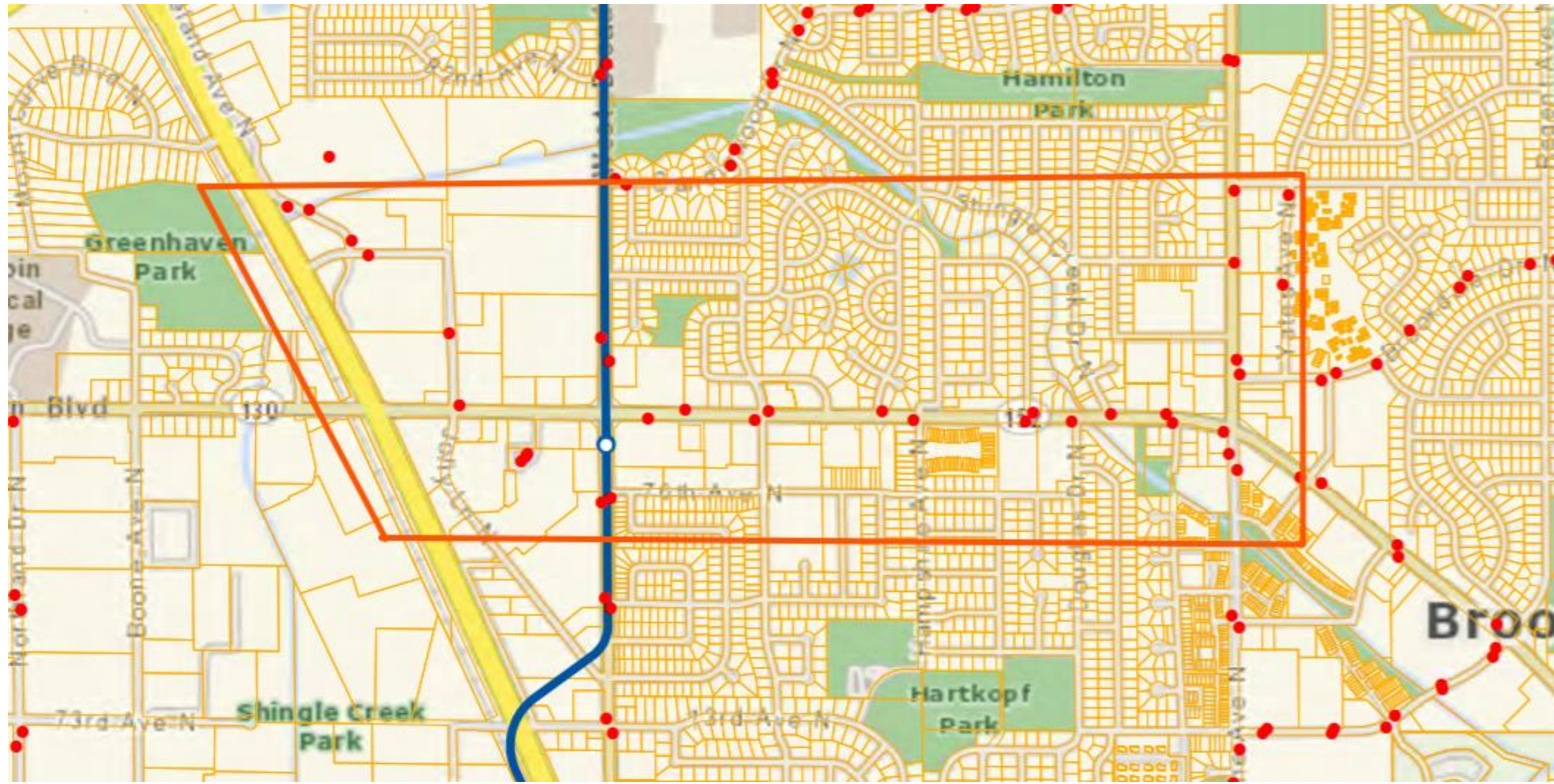
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Project	Applicant	Score (60 points possible)	Amount Requested	Option One Amount Recommended	Option Two Amount Recommended
Brooklyn Park Business Incubator	Brooklyn Park EDA	49.5	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
375 Selby Ave - YWCA	City of Saint Paul	47.5	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Penn Avenue Redevelopment	City of Richfield	40	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$100,000
61st and Brooklyn Blvd	City of Brooklyn Center	39.5	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$0
<b>Total Allocated</b>				\$250,000	\$250,000
<b>Total Available</b>				\$300,000	\$300,000
<b>Total Requested</b>				\$400,000	\$400,000
<b>Total Recommended</b>				\$300,000	\$300,000
<b>Total Remaining</b>				\$0	\$0

# Brooklyn Park Business Incubator

Recommended Award:  
**\$100,000**



- Repurpose currently vacant site to be a small business incubator
- Provide affordable commercial space to local businesses
- Researching a business incubator as an anti-displacement strategy



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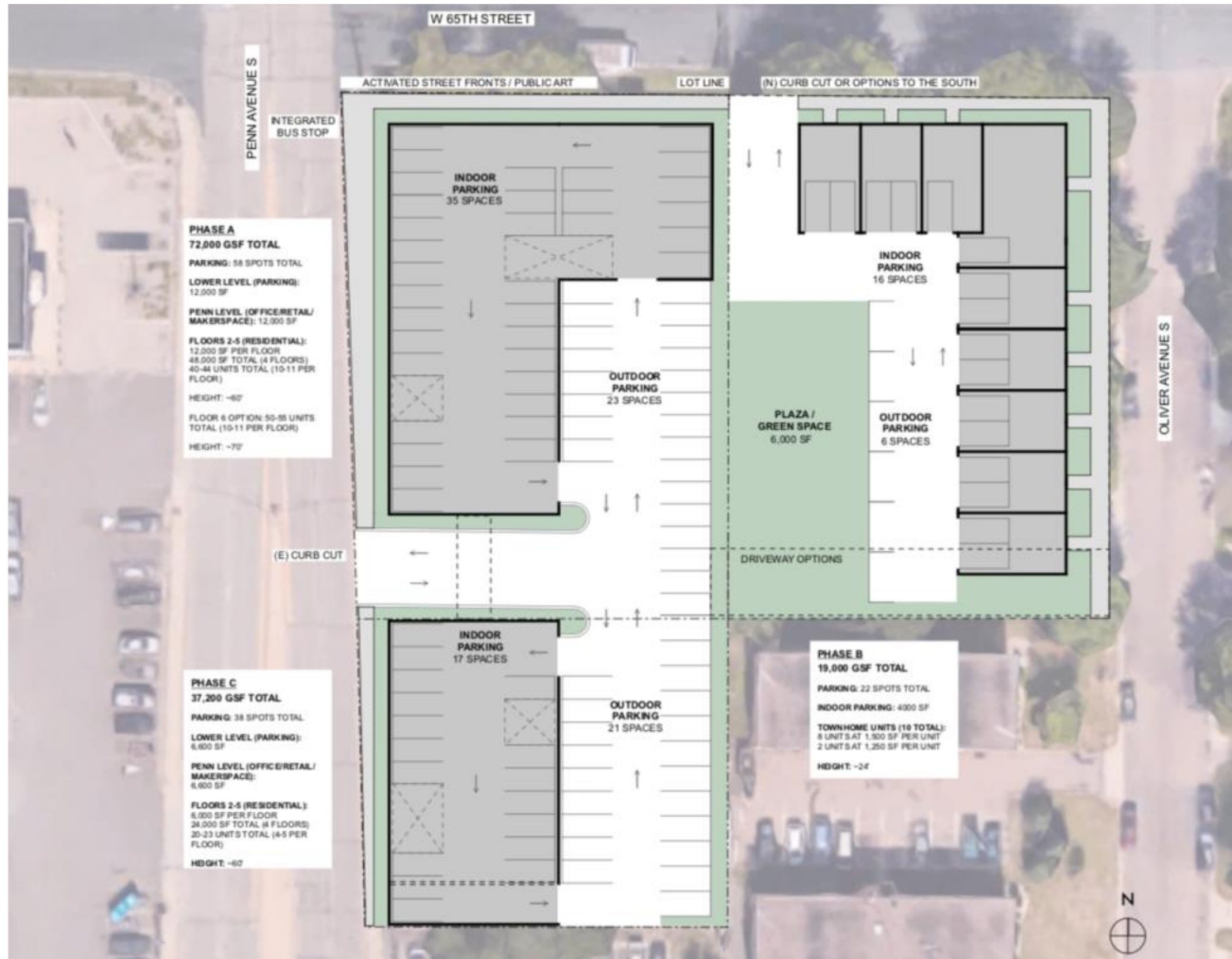
# 375 Selby – YWCA Redevelopment



- Redevelop the existing YWCA location on Selby Avenue
- Bring affordable housing to the site
- Connect community programming, health centers, local park, and affordable housing

# Penn Avenue Redevelopment

Recommended Award:  
**Option One: \$50,000**  
**Option Two: \$100,000**



- Multi-phase development project bringing housing and commercial space to the Penn Avenue corridor
- 20% of the future housing units will be affordable
- Focus on physical accessibility of the housing units

## 61<sup>st</sup> and Brooklyn Blvd



Recommended Award:

**Option One: \$50,000**

**Option Two: \$0**

- Workforce housing development affordable at 50-60% AMI
- 51% of the units will be 3 bedrooms to provide more housing choice to families
- Multi-generational partnership with a nearby senior center

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