



# Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Regional Park Long-Range Plan Amendment

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

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Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission

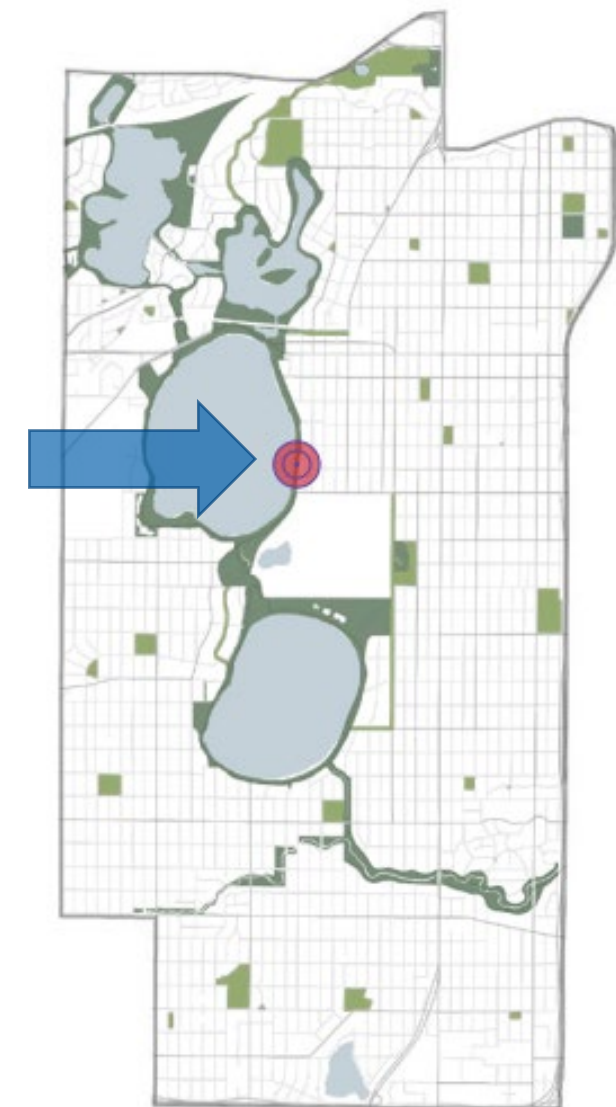
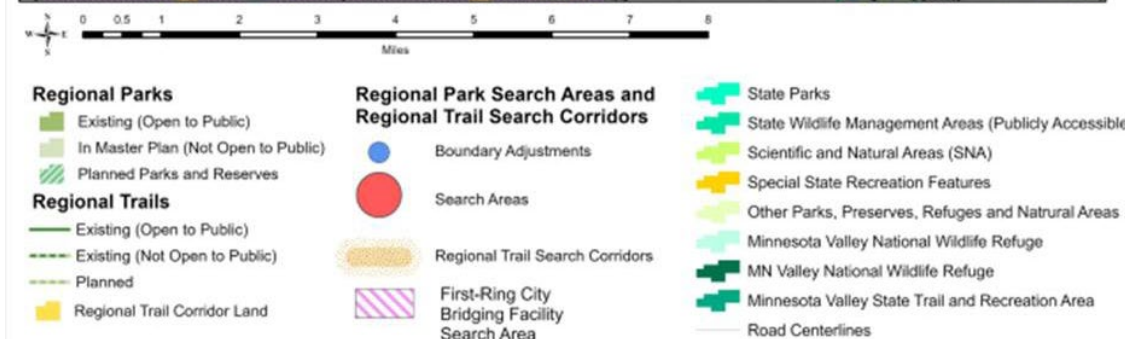
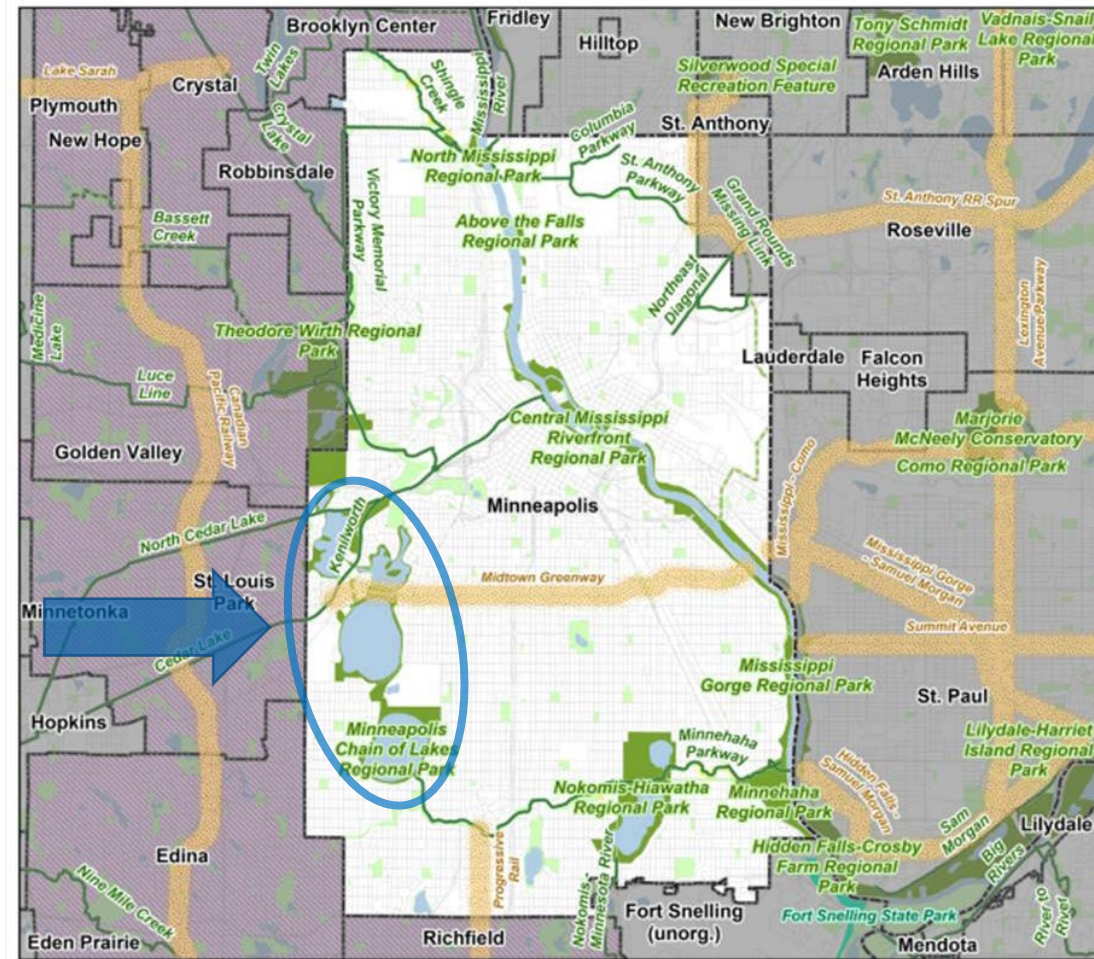
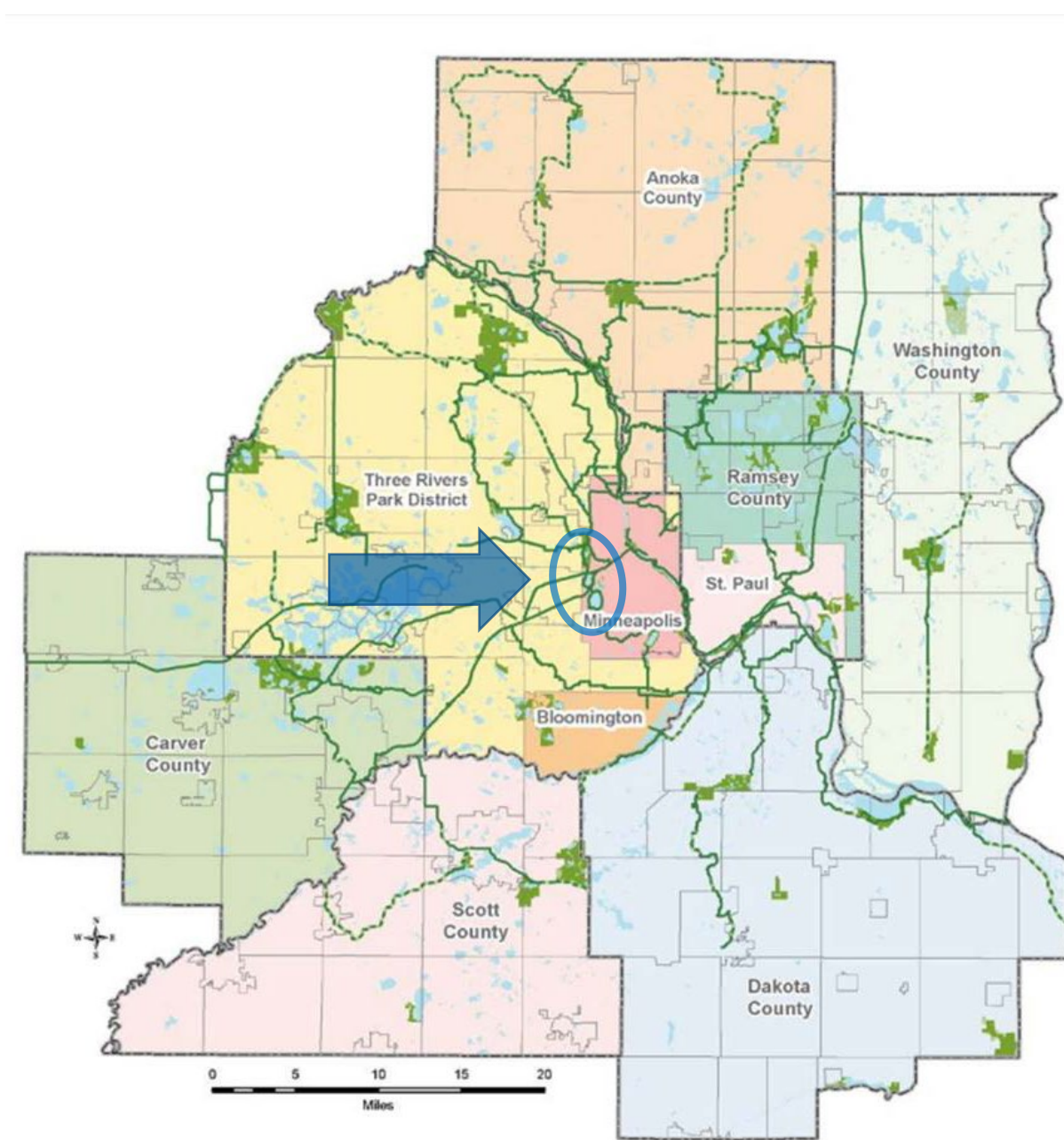


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# Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Regional Park, Loon Lake Trolley Path, 1699 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street



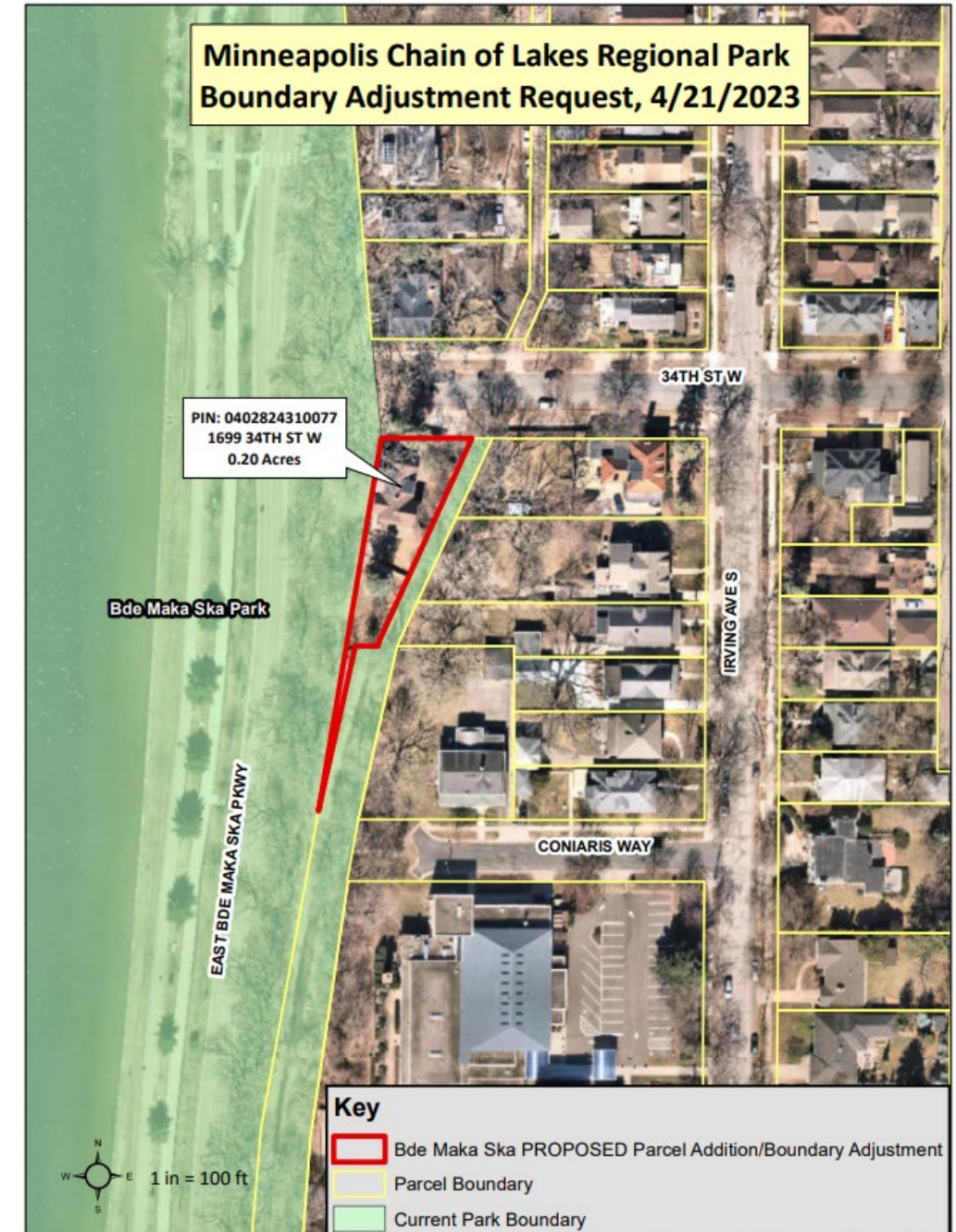
# Boundaries

## Loon Lake Trolley Path

- 1.03-acres
- Narrow strip of land, used to be the route of a trolley line
- Averages 50 feet in width, considerable slope down to East Bde Maka Ska Parkway
- Currently owned by Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

## 1699 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street

- 0.20-acre
- Unusually shaped parcel is surrounded by parkland and public right-of-way
- Generally level where house was previously located, considerable slope down to East Bde Maka Ska Parkway
- Currently in private ownership



# Partner and Public Engagement

## SOUTHWEST SERVICE AREA MASTER PLAN



APPROVED NOVEMBER 4, 2020

## Partner Engagement

- East Calhoun Community Organization (ECCO)
- City of Minneapolis
- Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board of Commissioners approved the Southwest Service Area Master Plan in November 2020

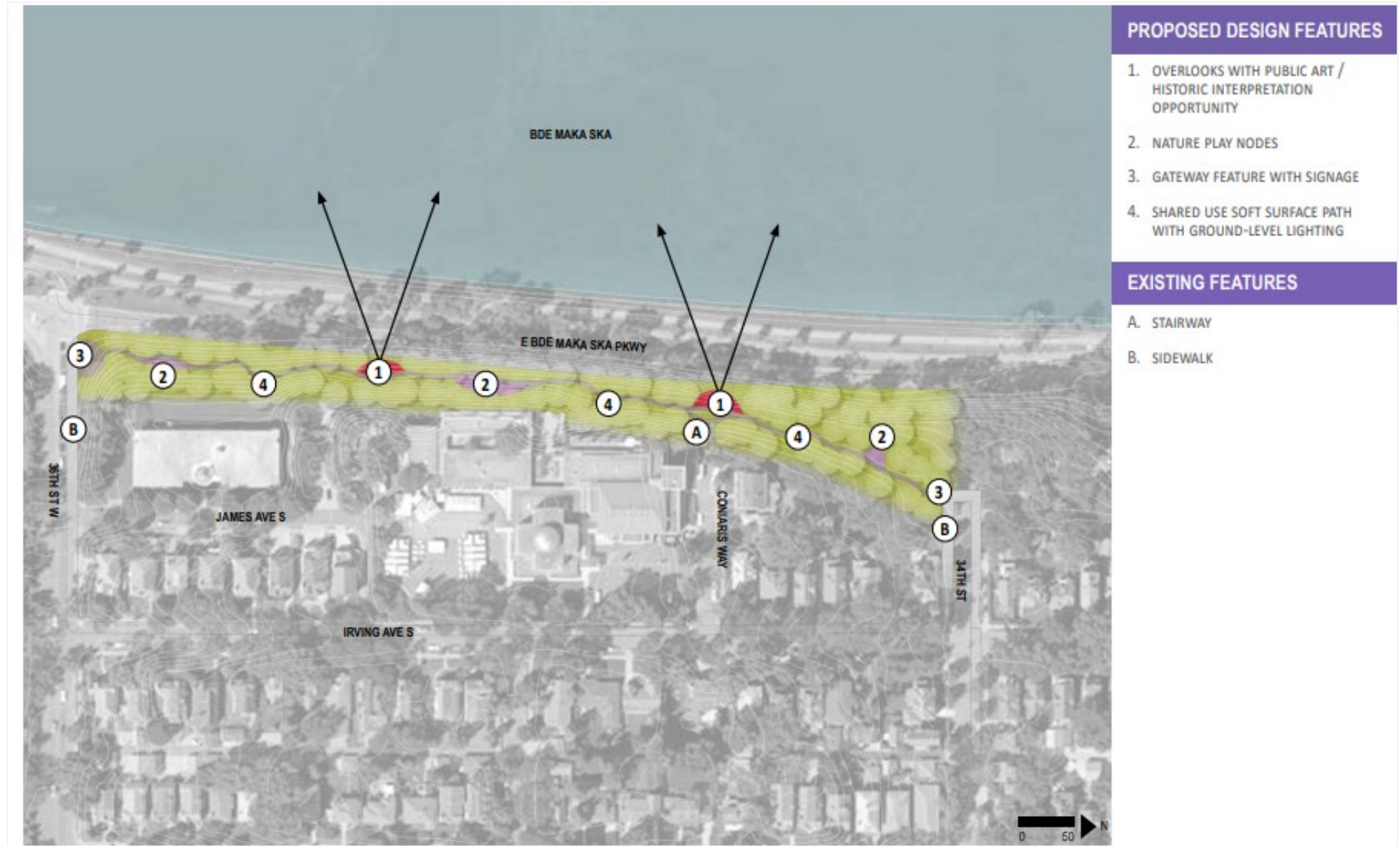
## Public Engagement

- Neighborhood residents
- Community Advisory Committee met 16 times over 18 months



# Development Concept

- Takes advantage of topography
- Includes overlooks, interpretation opportunities, and nature play nodes
- Soft-surface trail
- Enhance safety and access
  - Ground-level lighting
  - Wayfinding
- Habitat and view protection



# Estimated Costs



- Loon Lake Trolley Path is currently owned by MPRB.
- The 2023 market value of the parcel at 1699 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street is \$926,000.
- The total estimated development cost is \$534,742.
- Together, the estimated acquisition and development costs are \$1,460,742.

# Rationale for Proposed Action

The Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Long-Range Plan Amendment is consistent with the requirements of the:

- *2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan*
  - Chapter 5: Planning, Strategy 1
  - Other Council policies



# Proposed Action



*That the Metropolitan Council:*

1. Approve Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board's Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Regional Park Long-Range Plan Amendment.



Thank you

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