



SURVEY

Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association September 1992

September 26, 1992

Dear Neighbor,

Well, here it is—the Survey!

This is your chance to describe your vision of our neighborhood, **as it is and as it should be.**

Every household in the HPDL area will get the same opportunity. HPDL promises to use your vision to develop a Neighborhood Action Plan, sort of a blue-print for the future. Join us in this quest for a blue-print for a better life.

A note on privacy:

Be honest. Speak your mind. In return, we promise to protect your privacy. At no time will your survey be identified by name. The information will be compiled and used as group data for statistical purposes. Demographic information will be used to determine whether a representative cross-section of people from the neighborhood answered the survey. No individual survey information will be released.

Please take a few moments to complete this questionnaire and **return it before October 10th.**

To mail your survey, fold it in half with the return mailing address facing out and close it, using the provided circular sticker (do not staple—the Post Office machines don't like it!). The postage is already paid. If you have any questions, please call the HPDL office at 824-7707. Thank you for your efforts to help chart the future of our neighborhood.

Sincerely yours,


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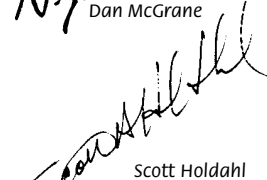

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Members of HPDL Board and NRP Committee — Your neighbors

1. Look at the map of HPDL (top of the last page). Residents within the boundaries of these three neighborhoods (Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake) are a part of the HPDL Community Association and are being asked to answer these survey questions. All questions relate to these neighborhoods. **Indicate approximately where you live by marking with an "X"**. Answer all questions as you feel right now.

2. Overall, how would you rate the living conditions in our neighborhood?
(Please check one)

- a. _____ Excellent
- b. _____ Good
- c. _____ Fair
- d. _____ Poor

3. Please indicate the three most appealing features of our neighborhood today.
(Check or write in the first three that come to mind)

- a. _____ Sense of community
- b. _____ Quiet neighborhood
- c. _____ Diversity of lifestyles
- d. _____ Affordable housing
- e. _____ Primarily residential
- f. _____ Convenient location
- g. _____ Well-maintained homes
- h. _____ Safe place to live
- i. _____ Many homeowners
- j. _____ Schools
- k. _____ Parks and recreational opportunities
- l. _____ Other (Write in) _____
- m. _____ Other _____
- n. _____ Other _____

4. Of the three items chosen above, which one do you consider to be the most appealing feature of the neighborhood? (Write the letter of the item on the line below)

This section (Questions 5-11) asks you to think about a number of issues. Most of them are probably important to you, but we are looking for those that you think need action or improvement. First, indicate how you would **currently rate** our neighborhood on these issues, and then indicate the degree to which **action or improvement** is needed.

	Current Rating					Action or Improvement Needed			
	Exc.	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know	Urgent	Soon	None	Don't Know
5. Housing:									
a. Availability to own	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Availability to rent	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. General Appearance	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Maintenance	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Stability	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
f. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
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6. Crime and Safety:									
a. Personal Safety—General Security	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Safety in Parks	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Safety on, or waiting for the bus	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Security of property	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Helpful/timely law enforcement	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
f. Helpful/timely fire, ambulance response	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
g. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
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7. City Services:									
a. Snow Removal	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Litter/Garbage Collection	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Recycling pick-up	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Street/Alley lighting	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Street/Alley maintenance	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D

	Current Rating					Action or Improvement Needed			
	Exc.	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know	Ur-gent	Soon	None	Don't Know
8. Transportation:									
a. Traffic controls (e.g. around area lakes)	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Use of city streets as commuter routes	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Speeding vehicles	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Bus Service	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Commuter Bikeways	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
f. Lightrail options	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
g. 35W expansion plans	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
h. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
9. Environment:									
a. Air quality—pollution	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Water quality—lakes, creek, etc.	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Information about radon	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Information about lead in water, in paint chips	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Information about asbestos	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
f. How to handle household hazardous waste	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
g. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
10. Quality of Life:									
a. General Quality of Life	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Neighborhood Businesses	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Recreation opportunities	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Quality of recreational opportunities (e.g. park buildings, pathways, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Availability of cultural, social events	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
f. Child care services	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
g. Sense of Community	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
h. After school activities	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
i. Activities/services for Senior Citizens	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D

10. Quality of Life (cont'd):	Current Rating					Action or Improvement Needed			
	Exc.	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know	Ur-gent	Soon	None	Don't Know
j. Access to Libraries	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
k. Airport Noise Control	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
m. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D

11. Education:	Current Rating					Action or Improvement Needed			
	Exc.	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know	Ur-gent	Soon	None	Don't Know
a. Quality of Minneapolis Public Schools	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
b. Availability of program options (e.g. open, magnet, continuous progress, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
c. Availability of preferred school	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
d. Accessibility of preferred school	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D
e. Other	1	2	3	4	5	A	B	C	D

12. Below is a list of problems teenagers face in society today. How serious of a problem do you think these are for teens in our neighborhood?

	Seriousness			
	Very	Somewhat	Not Very	Don't Know
a. Lack of Jobs	1	2	3	4
b. Lack of Recreational Opportunities	1	2	3	4
c. No Place to Go	1	2	3	4
d. Victims of Crime	1	2	3	4
e. Involvement in Crime	1	2	3	4
f. Drug and Alcohol Abuse	1	2	3	4
g. Drug Dealing	1	2	3	4
h. Voice in Community	1	2	3	4
i. Lack of Educational Opportunities	1	2	3	4
j. Other (Please write in)	1	2	3	4

13. How long have you been living in the neighborhood?

- a. _____ Less than one year
- b. _____ 1-5 years
- c. _____ 6-10 years
- d. _____ More than 10 years How many years?_____

14. If you have lived in other Minneapolis neighborhoods, how does this neighborhood compare?

- a. _____ Better than
- b. _____ About the same
- c. _____ Worse than
- d. _____ Don't know

15. Do you plan to stay in the neighborhood?

- a. _____ Yes, I like it here
- b. _____ Yes, **but** I would move if I could (See 16)
- c. _____ No, probably will move in the near future (See 16)

16. If you answered (b) or (c) above, to what extent is each issue a factor in your decision?

	Strong Factor	Partial Factor	Not a Factor
a. Schools	1	2	3
b. Job transfer	1	2	3
c. Job availability	1	2	3
d. Airport Noise	1	2	3
e. City Services	1	2	3
f. Environment	1	2	3
g. Housing	1	2	3
h. Crime/Safety	1	2	3
i. Neighborhood	1	2	3
j. Taxes	1	2	3
k. Recreation, parks	1	2	3
l. Libraries	1	2	3
m. Cultural opportunity	1	2	3
n. Other (Please write in)	1	2	3

17. Do you rent or own your home?

- a. _____ Rent
- b. _____ Own

18. What type of dwelling do you live in?

- a. _____ Single family dwelling
- b. _____ Townhome
- c. _____ Condominium
- d. _____ Duplex/triplex
- e. _____ Apartment
- f. _____ Other _____

19. Which category describes you best?

- a. _____ Black/African American
- b. _____ White
- c. _____ Hispanic
- d. _____ Native American/American Indian
- e. _____ Combination
- f. _____ Other _____

20. What is the highest level of school you have completed?

- a. _____ Less than high school e. _____ College graduate
b. _____ Some high school f. _____ Post graduate/professional degree
c. _____ High school graduate/GED
d. _____ Some college g. _____ Other _____

21. What was your total family income in 1991?

- a. _____ Under \$15,000 per year d. _____ \$35,000-\$59,999
b. _____ \$15,000-\$24,999 e. _____ \$60,000 and above
c. _____ \$25,000-\$34,999 f. _____ Choose not to answer

22. Do you have children living at home?

- a. _____ No children at home
b. _____ Yes, under school age
c. _____ Yes, but not school age
d. _____ Yes, school age

They attend:

1. _____ Minneapolis Public schools
2. _____ Church affiliated schools
3. _____ Other Private schools
4. _____ Home school
5. _____ Other _____

23. Whether or not you have children, do you have specific concerns about Minneapolis public schools?(please list)

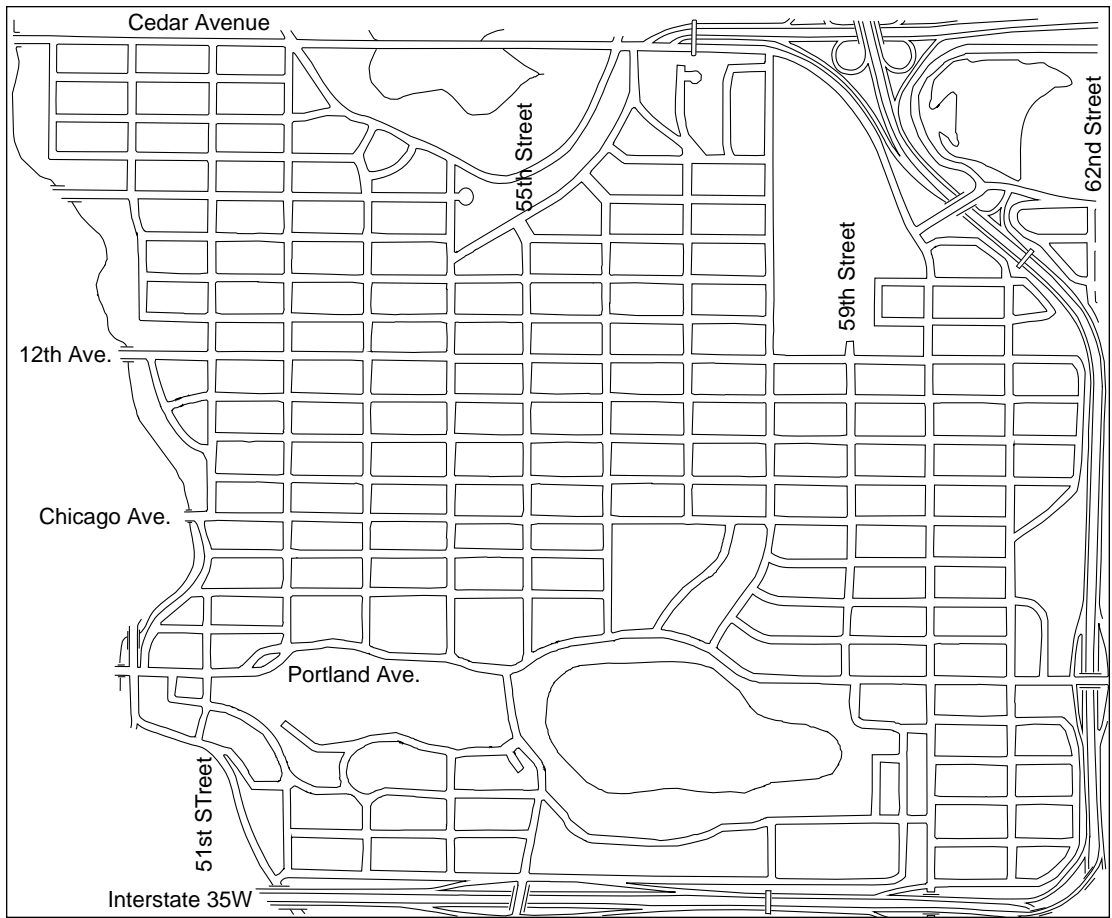
23. Thinking about all the issues raised in this survey, which FIVE should the neighborhood focus on for making changes or improvements?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

23. What do you think are five PRACTICAL suggestions for WAYS to improve our neighborhoods?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

24. Use the space below for any other comments you would like to make about our neighborhood. (Need more room to write—Try the bottom of page 2.)

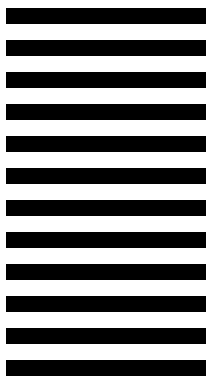


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