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Rapid City Beautification Committee

July 9, 2012

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation
C/O RBC Wealth Management
PO Drawer 8479
Rapid City SD 57709-8479

Re: Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation

Dear Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation Committee:

The Rapid City Beautification Committee has unanimously voted to submit the requested application. The Grant is enclosed herewith.

To accommodate the application deadline of Friday, July 27, 2012, the enclosed application will be placed before the City Council for final approval prior to this date. Should any changes be made to the same, we will certainly keep your committee informed.

To this end, this letter is to inform you that we are definitely submitting a grant request.

Our official grant is enclosed herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Jim L. White
Rapid City Beautification Committee

Enc: Foundation Grant Application
CC: Mayor's Office
Rapid City Beautification Committee/Parks & Recreation Department

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Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation

Application for Funding

Our organization has been selected by the Board of Directors of the Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation to apply for a 2012 grant. Please complete the following application. A final decision on your request will be made in the fall of 2012.

Date of Application: **7-08-2012** Organization Tax ID Number: **N/A**

Name of Organization: **Rapid City Beautification Committee**

Address: **515 West Boulevard (City Parks & Recreation Office)**

City: **Rapid City** State: **South Dakota** Zip Code: **57701**

Telephone: **605 394-4175** Fax: **605-394-5307** Email: *jim@swsupply.com*

Primary Contact: **Jim White** Title: **Stearns Grant Committee Chair**
5308 Timberline Trail
Rapid City SD 57702-1804

Telephone: **(605) 341-4412 (Personal Office)** Fax: **(605) 341-4412**
(605) 348-3696 (Home)

Amount Requested: **$25,000**

Geographical Area Served: **We serve the City and Citizens of Rapid City**

Organization Information: (brief history/purpose of your organization):

Mission statement within the By-laws is presently on file with your foundation

Attach the Following Documents:

1. Summary detailing how 2012 grant funds will be spent (if received)
   - ***detail attached***
2. A budget detailing project expenses for 2012 grant requests
   - ***The Budget is contained within the summary of the Purpose of Grant***
3. A copy of your organizations most recent tax exemption letter from the IRS
   - ***Not Applicable as stated above***
4. A completed and signed 2012 Exempt Status Confirmation letter (enclosed)
   - ***Not Applicable as stated above***
5. A Copy of your Articles of Incorporation and any amendments
   - ***Already on file with the Stearns Foundation***
6. A copy of your latest Form 990 with the IRS
   - ***Not Applicable as stated above***
7. A list of names of your Board of Directors and Officers
   - ***Copy attached herewith***

PURPOSE OF GRANT REQUEST

To beautify the Omaha Street Corridor Hubbard Mill Truck Staging Area

GRANT PLAN: Granted funds will solely be used for landscaping which includes the planting of trees, shrubs, and vegetation as outlined in the approved *Rapid City Enhancement Program* plan, item H, paragraph 2: "Hubbard Mill Truck Staging Area: This is located on the north side of Omaha Street between Third and Fifth Streets as per the *2005 Omaha Street Corridor Enhancement Project Master Plan (OSCEPMP).* A color schematic attached herewith.

Grant monies shall be for all planting materials in a to-be constructed lengthy raised bed planter so as to provide beautification to this asphalt paved truck parking area. We also wish to continue a possibly available water line. This area is just west of what is called "Pressler Junction" and serves as an off-street parking/holding area for large tractor-trailer grain haulers. Our committee feels that this area can be beautified to both enhance the extension of the Omaha Street Corridor and to partially obstruct public view of these vehicles.

The City of Rapid City has in place a plan (OSCEPMP) for this area's beautification. Once the appropriate infrastructure is in place, this grant will provide the means for its planting beautification.

The Rapid City Beautification Committee wishes to be an active participant in the landscaping beautification of this area which will be well-viewed by our citizens.

We also feel that beautifying this area will promote further east beautifications in the future to extend to E. Boulevard. We feel that the enhanced and planned landscaping of this area is very appropriate, timely, and in the best interests of all of our citizens. With the aide of the planned landscaping this area will be well received by local and non-local individuals.

The City will over-see this planned landscaping project and this committee has been involved since its inception in the area of beautification.

This committee has always appreciated the Gwendolyn L. Stearns Foundation support and we intend to ensure that grant monies be completely distributed as they have been in past granted funds.

Previous Grant Funds Spending Summary

Attached herewith is an outline of past grant funding and their expenditures.

The Stearns Foundation has been kept abreast of the successes of past grant monies received. The Rapid City Beautification Committee oversees the expenditure of entire past grant balances. We ensure that all monies are to be fully expended for the projects submitted and that no monies are expended for infrastructure.

Past grants expenditures have included replacing and adding trees in and around the city, Founder's Park/Greenway Trails, Parkview Tennis Courts area, Vickie Powers Park Landscaping, etc. The City's Parks & Recreation Department under the supervision and guidance of Mr. Lon VanDeusen oversees each of these endeavors, and is an asset to the Beautification Committee.

See next pages for detailed summaries.

STEARNS FOUNDATION GRANTS EXPENDITUES SUMMARY

Rapid City Beautification Committee - 2012

$25,000 – 2004:
Received November 2004 - $25,000 for additional plantings of trees, shrubs, and other greenery on the downtown "Corner Parks" from 5th Street to East Boulevard. Funds to be used as 25% match for ISTEA grant. If ISTEA money is not available, funds are to be used for plantings as stated. City Council gave an additional $25,000 as a match. (FUNDED BY ISTEA JUNE 2009).

- **STATUS**: This project was **COMPLETED** and funds transferred in June 2011

$25,000 – 2005:
Received December 2005 - $25,000 for additional plantings to be added to the 2004 funding for trees, shrubs, flowers, or other similar materials on the "Corner Parks" from W. Blvd to E. Blvd on both St. Joseph Street and Main [Street. Funds will be used as 25% match for ISTEA grant. If ISTEA money is not available, funds are to be used for plantings as stated. (FUNDED BY ISTEA JUNE 2009).

- **STATUS**: This project was **COMPLETED** and funds transferred in June 2011

$12,500 – 2006:
Received November 2006 - $12,500 for plant materials for the Sheridan Lake Road/Canyon Lake Drive areas around the Post baseball fields.

- **STATUS: COMPLETED**

$25,000 – 2007:
Received November 2007 - $25,000 for new trees, shrubs, and vegetation as replacement plantings or for new areas in our Parks Department. Money can also be used for downtown areas and in the "Welcome to Rapid City" signage areas. Some money to be used for the S Hwy 79 welcome sign. ($21,867 paid in July 2009).

- **STATUS**: Remainder **COMPLETED** and funds disbursed in June 2011

$17,500 – 2008:
Received September 2008 - $17,500 for trees, shrubs, and vegetation in parks and areas deemed appropriate by our Committee in concert with the Parks Department. Money to be included for planting materials for a short section of Mt. Rushmore Road between Omaha Street and St. Joseph Street. Money will augment last year's grant with addition trees and vegetation in the downtown areas.

- **STATUS**: **COMPLETED** and money disbursed June 2011

$2,500 – 2009:
Received December 2009 - $12,500 for shade trees and shrubs at the new tennis courts at Parkview Drive.

- **STATUS**: Pending project completion

$20,000 – 2010:
Received October 2010 - Landscaping in and around the Founder's Park phase of the Omaha Street corridor enhancement project.

- **STATUS**: Pending project completion

$15,000 – 2011:
Received October 2011 - Planting at Vickie Powers Park in north Rapid City.

- **STATUS**: Pending project completion

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Rapid City Beautification Committee

Board of Directors
The Mayor and City Council
City Parks and Recreation Department

Committee Officers - 2012
Steve Doshier, Chairperson
Jim L. White, Stearns Grant Committee Chairperson

Committee Members - 2012
Jacque Allen, member and Stearns Grant Committee
Thomas Allen, Member
Duane Baumgartner, member and Stearns Grant Committee
Steve Doshier, member
Cathy Robeson, member
DelRita Schouten, member
Chris Wehrle, member
Jim White, member
Suzanne Wilson, member

City of Rapid City Liaison Members
Andrew Chlebek, Code Enforcement
Alex DeSmit, City Landscape Engineer
Lon Vandeusen, Parks & Recreation
Steve Laurenti, Council Liaison Representative

State Department of Transportation Liaison
Tom Horan, SD Department of Transportation Representative

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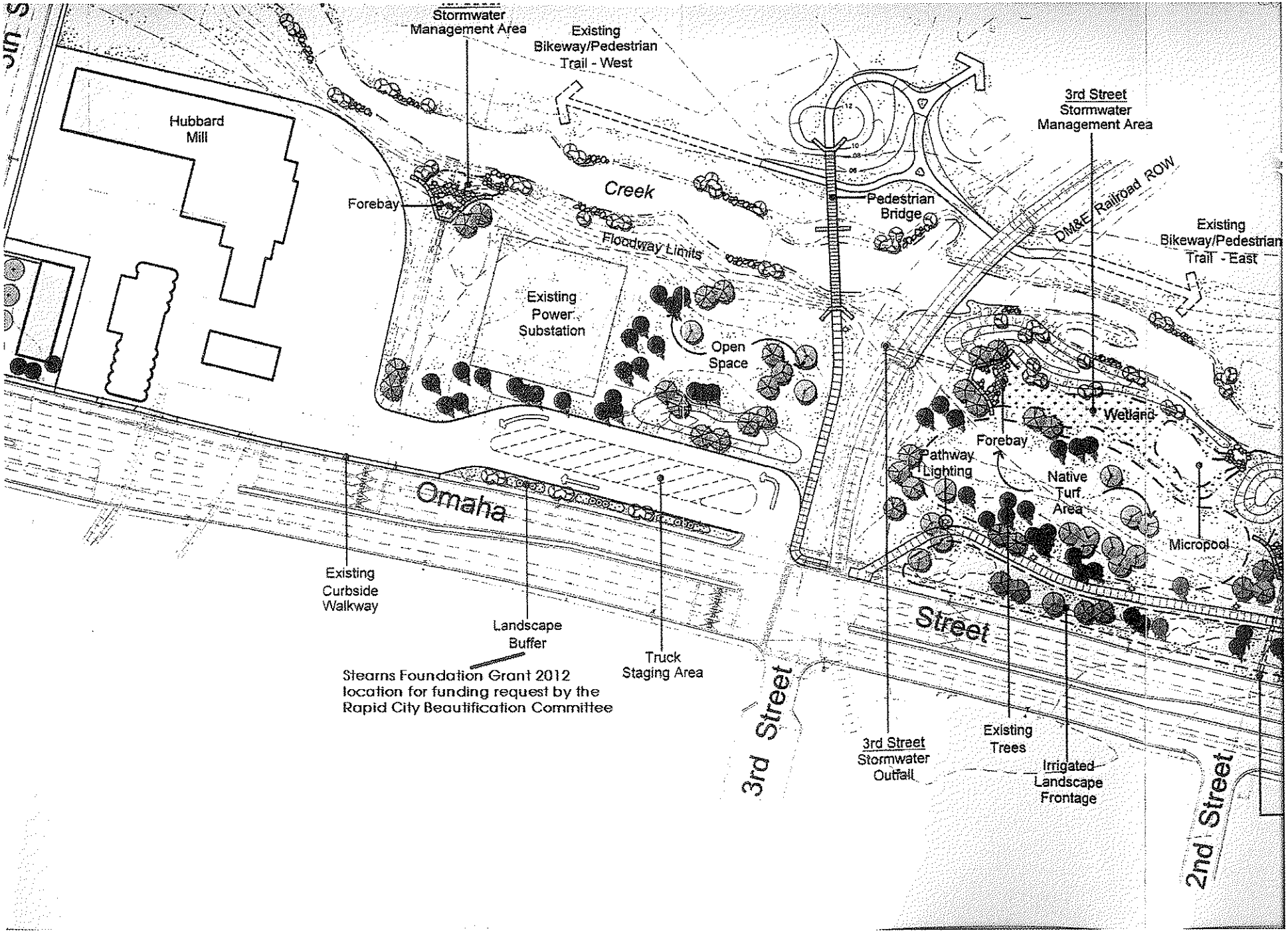
Stormwater Management Area
Existing Bikeway/Pedestrian Trail - West
Hubbard Mill
Forebay
Creek
Floodway Limits
Existing Power Substation
Open Space
Pedestrian Bridge
3rd Street Stormwater Management Area
DM&E Railroad ROW
Existing Bikeway/Pedestrian Trail - East
Wetland
Forebay
Pathway Lighting
Native Turf Area
Micropool
Omaha
Street
Existing Curbside Walkway
Landscape Buffer
Stearns Foundation Grant 2012 location for funding request by the Rapid City Beautification Committee
Truck Staging Area
3rd Street
3rd Street Stormwater Outfall
Existing Trees
Irrigated Landscape Frontage
2nd Street