

Oct. 1, 2018

Dear Kim and Justin,

The EQC tree subcommittee recently met with Pat Allen. She made an a generous offer on behalf of Northfield in Bloom that we hope can be discussed at the October EQC meeting and promptly pursued. Katie Himanga has offered to do a series of things as a follow-up to the 2014 Urban Forest Management Plan that she authored. Northfield in Bloom would pay for the majority of the costs, spending about \$1,250, if the City could contribute \$500. The activities are:

- A windshield survey of the trees at \$1,000
- An update of key aspects of the plan based on her survey and study of tree-related activities that have transpired since she wrote it for \$500
- She would do a public presentation of her findings (targeted to the EQC, appropriate Climate Action Plan workgroup members and stakeholders, city staff, and City Council) for \$250.

We believe that the \$500 investment would be a wise one in providing newly hired City Staff and the Climate Action Planning work group with more recent data and insights. Northfield in Bloom has had grant funds left over from its co-sponsorship of the Plan but may not have those funds for long. We hope that the the City can take advantage of this opportunity. It would realize a component of our Tree Subcommittee's report earlier this year and help with climate action planning

Sincerely yours,

Carla Hansen, George Kinney, and Matt Rohn