2009 STAFF REVIEW OF PROPOSALS FOR COMMUNITY/NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT RESERVE FUNDS (Housing Development Funds, Affordable Housing Trust Funds, Facility Acquisition/Rehab Funds, Futures Funds)

1. Project Name/Title: Meadowood Neighborhood Center

2. Agency Name: Madison School & Community Recreation (MSCR)

3. Requested Amount: \$71,850

4. Project Type: X New or Continuing

5. Framework Plan Objective Most Directly Addressed by Proposed Activity:

G: Community Gardens and Neighborhood Centers; Create, enhance, or sustain the operation of neighborhood centers and community gardens that bring people of diverse backgrounds together, serve as neighborhood focal points, or provide residents with skills or opportunities that will lead to stronger neighborhoods.

6. Product/Service Description:

As a pilot program, MSCR has been providing social, recreational and educational opportunities for residents of the Meadowood Neighborhood at 5734 Raymond Rd.

7. Anticipated Accomplishments (Numbers/Type/Outcome):

700 unduplicated individuals in 400 households in Census tracts 5.01 and 4.04 will be serves. The target population is low and moderate-income individuals.

8. Staff Review:

MSCR received \$52,276 in Emerging Neighborhood Funds to operate a pilot neighborhood center at 5734 Raymond Rd. During the first six months of operation they served 524 individuals from 300 households. They are requesting \$71,850 to continue operation of the Meadowood Center in 2010.

The Meadowood Center has been very well received and used by people of all ages in the neighborhood. Activities are planned for people from preschool to seniors.

The pilot project was funded with Emerging Neighborhood Funds through the Mayor's Office. Approval at this time will create the project as a more permanent service and transfer funding to the CDBG program. It will also add Meadowood to the list of neighborhood centers funded with CDBG funds. Funding for all neighborhood centers is bound by the CDBG cap on public services. Staff will also need to document that the project is not using CDBG funds to supplant City funds.

Up to \$40,000 of the funds are estimated to be used for space costs either through MSCR or another entity.

Total Cost/Total Beneficiaries Equals:

CD Office Funds/CD-Eligible Beneficiaries Equals:

CD Office Funds as Percentage of Total Budget:

Staff recommendation:

9. Approve the request for \$71,850 in CDBG funds to assist with operating the Meadowood Neighborhood Center during 2010.

Technical and Regulatory Issues	Project information
Within unit, capital, mortgage limits	N/A
Within Subsidy layering limits/ analysis	N/A
Environmental Review issues	No
Eligible project	Yes
Conflict of interest	No
Church/State issues	No
Accessibility of program	Yes
Accessibility of structure	Yes
Lead-based paint issues	No
Relocation/displacement	N/A
Zoning restrictions	No
Fair Labor Standards	No
Vulnerable populations	Yes
Matching Requirement	No
Period of Affordability for HOME funds	N/A
Site and neighborhood Standards	No
Supplanting issues	Needs documentation
Living wage issues	Yes
B.A.D. building process	No
MBE goal	No
Aldermanic/neighborhood communication	
Management issues:	No