MY NEIGHBORHOOD

BUILDING COMMUNITY PRIDE THROUGH IDENTITY

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- Neighborhoods are the building blocks of communities

  - Examples of healthy neighborhoods always include an identity

- Local Problems

  - New Kosciusko County residents feel excluded

  - Neighborhoods feel disconnected and vague

  - Residents may not effectively communicate with each other or with Public Agencies

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INTENT

Encourage grass roots neighborhood identity efforts

SOLUTIONS

Identity

Communication

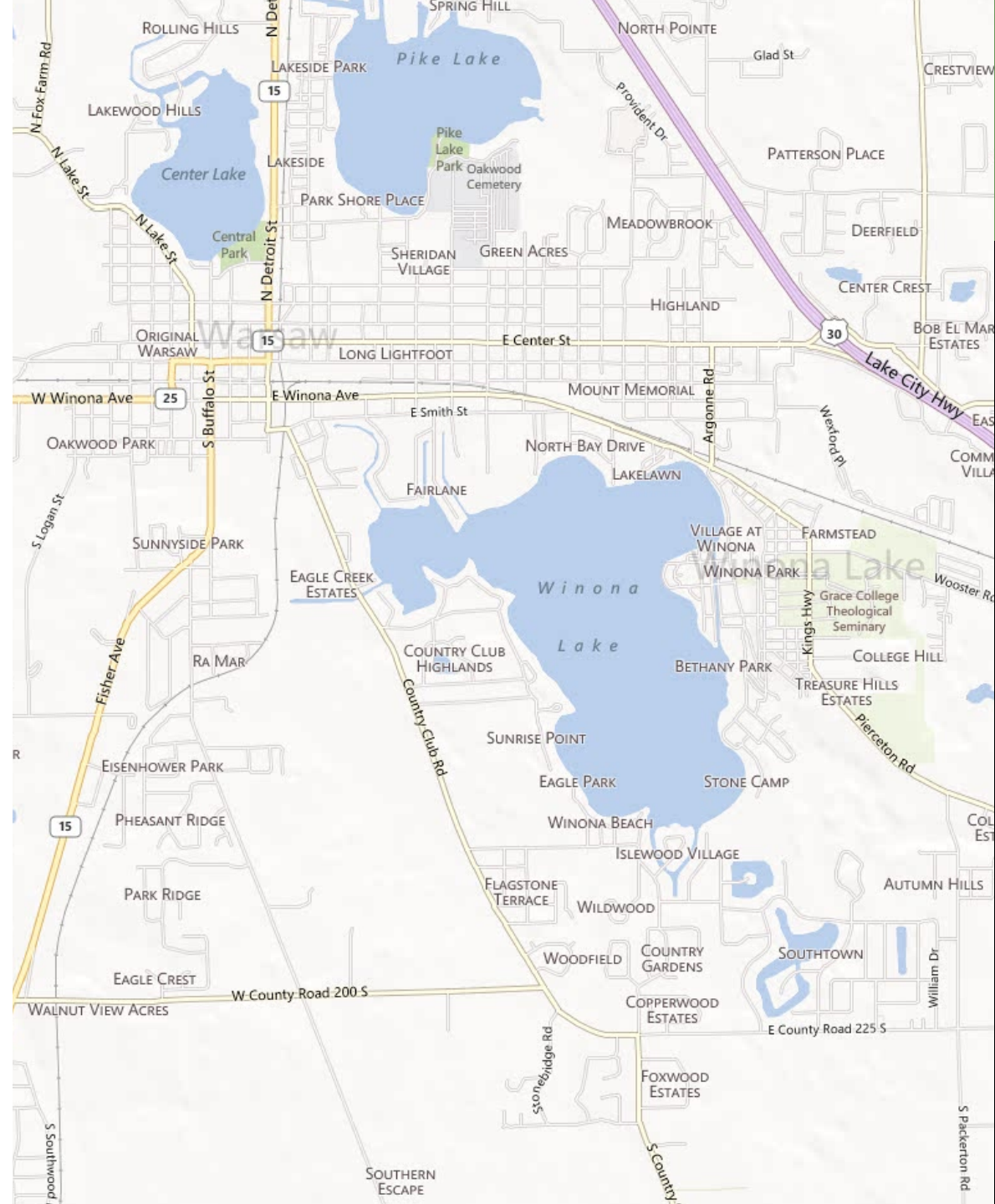**Inclusion**

BENEFITS

- Social

    - Sense of pride

    - Identify and address shared concerns

    - Participate in the public process to influence decision making

    - Safety – Eyes on the street

        - More activity and interest = less opportunity for crime

    - Communication = safer environment

        - Emergency messaging

- Economic

    - Desirable neighborhoods

    - Increased home values through better care

    - Commercial neighbors

PRACTICAL EXAMPLES

- Realtor Nomenclature

- Known Neighborhoods

- Indianapolis

- Chicago Neighborhoods

★★★ THE ★★★ CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOODS

Albany Park
Andersonville
Archer Heights
Armour Square
Ashburn
Auburn Gresham
Austin
Avalon Park
Avondale
Back of the Yards
Belmont Cragin
Beverly
Bowmanville
Bridgeport
Brighton Park
Bronzeville
Bucktown
Budlong Woods
Burnside
Calumet Heights
Canaryville
Chatham
Chinatown
Chrysler Village
Clearing
Dunning
East Garfield Park
East Side
Edgebrook
Edgewater
Edison Park
Englewood
Kenwood
Lake View
Lincoln Park
Lincoln Square
Little Italy
Little Village
Logan Square
Marquette Park
Marynook
Mayfair
McKinley Park
Montclare
Morgan Park
Mount Greenwood
New City
Noble Square
North Lawndale
North Park
Northcenter
Norwood Park
O'Hare
Oakland
Old Irving
Old Town
Oriole Park
Palmer Square
Pill Hill
Pilsen
Portage Park
Printer's Row
Pullman
Ravenswood
Riverdale
River North
Ravenswood Manor
Rogers Park
Roscoe Village
Roseland
Sauganash
Scottsdale
South Chicago
South Deering
South Loop
South Shore
Streeterville
The Loop
The Villa
Tri-Taylor
Ukrainian Village
Uptown
Washington Heights
Washington Park
West Chesterfield
West Elsdon
West Englewood
West Garfield Park
West Lawn
West Loop
West Pullman

Albany Park
Northwest Side

Andersonville
North Side

Archer Heights
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Armour Square
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MCKINLEY PARK + SOUTH TOWN
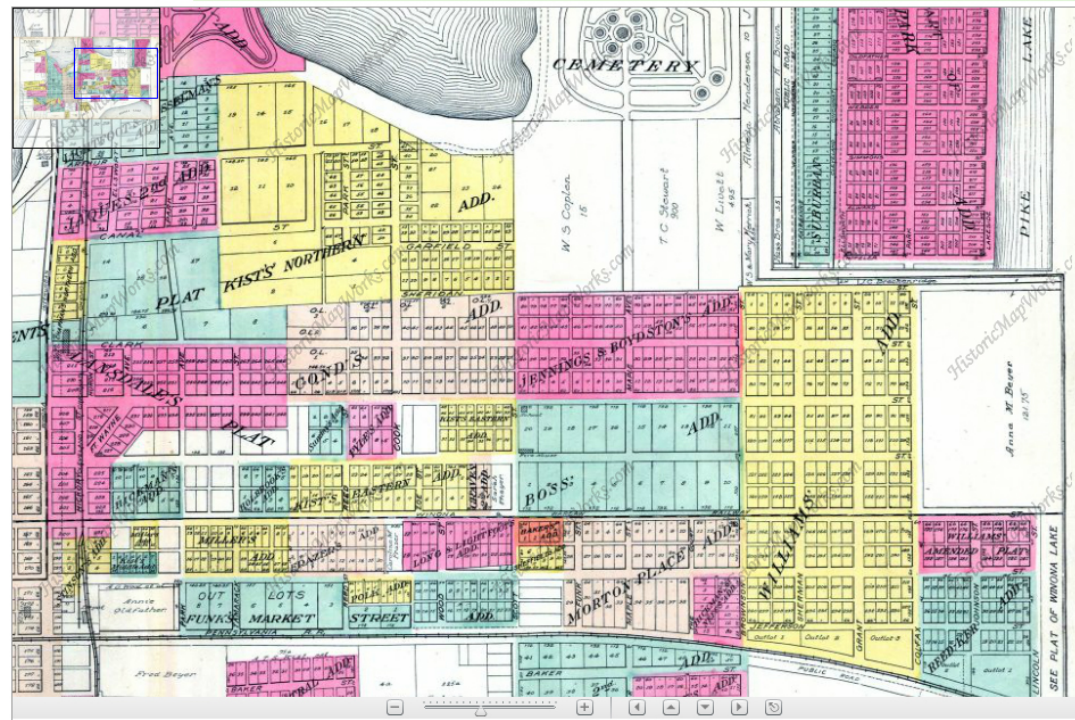
Pilot Neighborhoods

NAMING

- Series of neighborhood meetings
- Encourage identity through historic information or landmarks

CENTERS

- Originally intended to only identify centers

BOUNDARIES

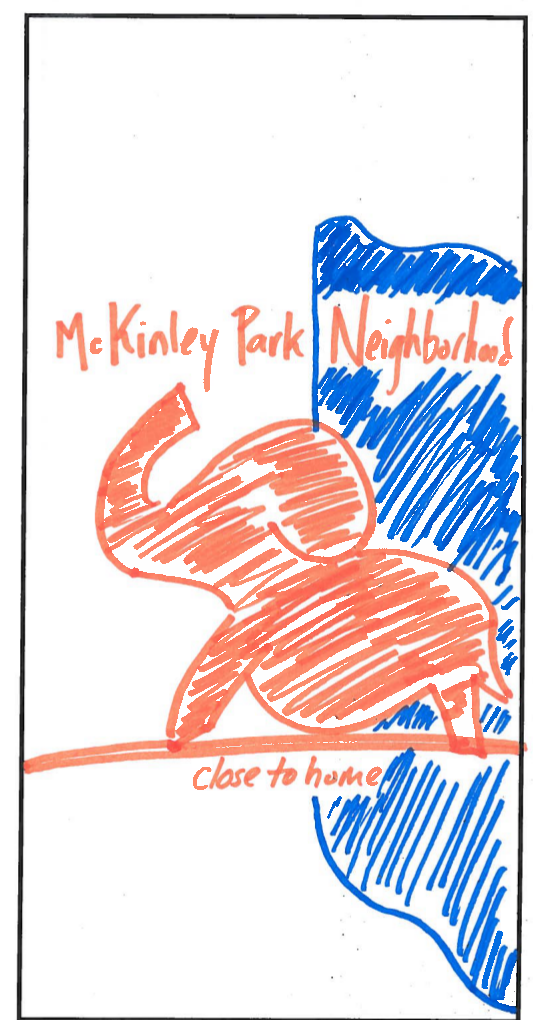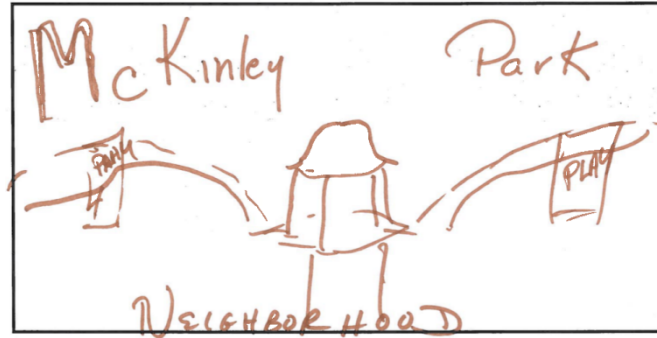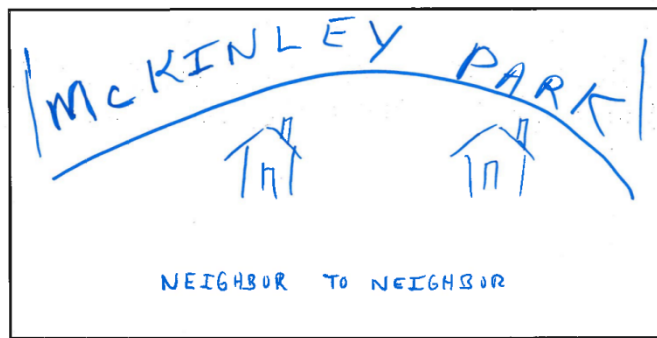- Residents wanted to identify boundaries

McKinley Park Neighborhood

LOGO DESIGNING

Flag Designs with name and logo to be designed by neighbors and placed on light poles around the neighborhood. Small initial investment

McKinley Park Spring Picnic

What: Neighborhood Spring Picnic

When: Saturday, April 20, 11:00

Where: McKinley Park!

Host: 'Nextdoor McKinley Park' Group

And?: Pass on this invitation!

$1 Hot Dogs
Pot Luck Picnic
Food Truck
Corn Hole
Ladder Golf
Jumbo Scrabble
Sidewalk Chalk Mural

Come out to welcome Spring in McKinley Park Neighborhood!

Socialize and get to know your neighbors better! Find out what's going on and how to join more events and groups. We will also be voting on a flag design to possibly hang on light poles around the neighborhood.

You're also invited to join our free, secure, and private website called WarsawMcKinleyPark.Nextdoor.com

INDIVIDUAL LEADERSHIP

Local champions are needed to keep initial efforts ongoing

Kick off event planned to increase participation and awareness

CONNECTING

- Experimenting with nexdoor.com
    - Alternative Social Network
        - Private, Free, Secure
        - Address verification
    - Groups and Events
- Events
    - Face to face connections are essential
- Word of mouth invitations

CONTINUING

- Project model is reproducible and transferable
- More people are looking for a sense of connectedness
- All it takes is a spark to light the fire of interest

THANK YOU

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