WOODSHIRE BLVD

Introductory Site Analysis - conducted May 17th 2023.





RECOMMENDATIONS

- The site does not have a current Master Plan that addresses Preservation and Maintenance. Developing this plan with NSA or another Landscape Architect would be a priority.
- Proper landscape maintenance practices, including pruning, turf care, tree care, pest control, and plant material replacement should be specified to any neighborhood volunteer or local contractor conducting work in the park. These processes and language would be spelled out in a Master Plan Maintenance Plan.
- NSA believes that the scale of the site requires commercial landscaping equipment for efficient and effective management. This can either be rented, hired locally, or invested in by the neighborhood.
- In order to get a handle on the overgrown shrub beds NSA recommends that one to two large beds are selected each year for the next few years and are "renewal pruned." This would mean cutting back all shrub vegetation to the ground and encouraging new growth that can then be more easily pruned in managed in the years to come. You could also then determine what you would like to keep, potentially remove, or replace.
- Memorial Plantings are a potential source of revenue for the park maintenance fund, however, all Memorial Tree
 plantings should be done in accordance with guidelines established during the Master Planning process. If a
 Master Plan is not conducted, Memorial Plantings should be discouraged, but if accepted they should reflect the
 historical design intent of Herminghaus and Sutton, using similar species and areas in the park.
- NSA recommends that Memorial Plantings should be re-framed to encourage volunteerism in the park for maintenance, beautification, and other activities that encourage the long term health of the park and its relationship the neighborhood.
- Desires to diversify the park with more native plant materials, prairie plantings, and other flowering species should be thought out and conform to a Master Plan or historical design intent.
- Climate adaptability is a valid concern for wanting to re-evaluate the current landscape and robust discussions about how and what are appropriate strategies for changes to the park should be discussed by multiple stakeholders with the input from area professions.









Visioning and Master Planning

Together we can transform your community, corridor or campus into a remarkable place that celebrates people and nature. Our collaborative process leads to inspirational ideas and an illustrative 'road map' with which to pursue funding.

Plant Selection and Design

We can develop a planting plan for your project that showcases the beauty of eco-friendly landscaping while fitting your budget and comfort level. Get a map of plant locations and a species list to present to nurseries, contractors and volunteers.

Care Guides and Inventories

Learn about the plants that live in your landscape and how to take care of them season-by-season. Our horticulture experts are happy to draw up management plans or provide in-person training for professionals and volunteer stewards.

Community Education

We want to spread the word about planting Nebraska for healthy people, vibrant communities and a resilient environment. Invite us over to help you raise public awareness about your landscape and foster appreciation for every day nature where you live.





1987 SUTTON PLAN

This 1987 Planting Plan by Richard Sutton makes species recommendations for planting and also notes removal of honeysuckle.



SITE PHOTOS

These photos represent various landscape types seen at Woodshire Residential Park including, woodland habitat, turf, shrub and flower beds, mature trees, and paved water ways.



TREE INVENTORY

It would be a worthy goal to attempt an updated tree inventory and map of the parks existing trees. This would give neighborhood decision makers a better idea of what original plant materials are still present on the site, the health of the current trees, and direction for future tree replacements, substitutions, and enhancements.

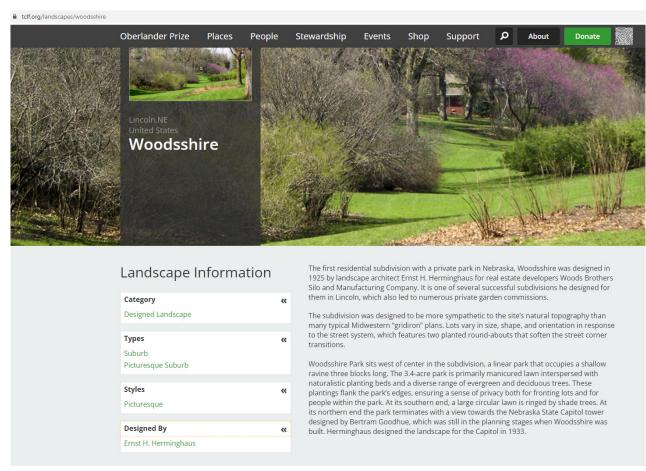




HISTORIC LANDSCAPE

Woodsshire Residential Park is considered a "Designed Landscape" by The Cultural Landscape Foundation (CFL). This is defined by the CLF as "a cultural landscape that was consciously designed or laid out by a landscape architect, master gardener, architect or horticulturist according to design principles or an amateur gardener working in a recognized style or tradition." In this instance the landscape was designed n 1925 by Ernst Heminghaus, who also helped to design the landscape for the State Capitol in 1933.

Any maintenance or planting intervention in the landscape should be evaluated relative to the original design intent of both Ernst Heminghausand the updated 1987 plan by Richard Sutton.



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