

Southeast Minneapolis Planning & Coordination Committee (SEMPACC)

COLLECTION SUMMARY

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Creator: Unknown

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ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

SEMPACC stands for Southeast Minneapolis Planning & Coordination Committee and will be referred to as SEMPACC throughout this finding aid. SEMPACC was the combined neighborhood organizations of Prospect Park, Como and Marcy-Holmes. The organization was founded in the mid-1960s from a group of individuals, businesses, and churches. According to one of their brochures: "The principal function of SEMPACC is to serve as a clearing house for community relations & the University of Minnesota." In an oral history interview the purpose of SEMPACC was to combine the political party of all three neighborhood organizations.

They were involved in many projects. Some of the notable ones include River Ramble, The University Planning District Citizens Advisory Committee, Holmes Urban renewal, and Motely School Renewal. The archivist thinks SEMPACC was involved in the Neighborhood Rehabilitation Project of the 1970s.

Minneapolis is a city of neighborhoods. Each neighborhood has a distinct feel, look, appeal and association. According to an oral history, these three neighborhoods were considered a ward and SEMPACC was their political tool. Now, there are no wards but districts. According to the oral history, "There is no SEMPACC anymore. The library is one of the few things left. Its real change because politically the city changed. So now we have different representatives from each Neighborhood associations. But at one time, we were all one neighborhood, and we had a lot of political power in city hall." (pg. 21)

The last document from the collection is from the year 1997.

SCOPE & CONTENT

This organization's collection ranges from 1969-1997. The contents are mainly minutes, reports, administrative documents, project notes and research.

The first series is the archivist series. This series is mainly research, notes, redacted and documents that need to be digitized.

The second series is administration and is mainly from the 1980s. It contains basic information about running SEMPACC. It does have information about another collection: Prospect Park Co-op.

The third series is correspondence and ranges from 1975-1997. This contains correspondence that didn't belong in the administration, NRP, or Projects.

The fourth series is Minutes and ranges from 1975-1982. SERAC stands for Southeast Recreation/ Community Education or Southeast recreation community education council.

The neighborhood rehabilitation program was around from the 1970s-1980s. This series includes the information about NRP's Block grants, The university District Improvement Association, and UPDCAC (another university organization). One thing that interested the archivists was the Unified Citizen Participation Plan and other similar initiatives because they wanted an increase of citizen participation.

The sixth series is projects. This series has the earliest documents from 1969. The dates range from 1969 to the 1980s. SEMPACC Sponsored the River Ramble, a glorified block party near St. Anthony Main area.

The seventh series is publications. The collection is mainly from the 1970s to the 1980s. The three most interesting items in this series are: 1) University Stadium project proposal 2) Biking in the Community 3) I-35W proposal. This series is gold mine for people interested in urban planning.

The eighth and final series is Research. SEMPACC researched three topics. They are schools, MN Opera, and foundation. These folders consist of Clippings, articles, and guides.

ACCESS

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An unknown donor donated this collection.

RELATED MATERIALS

590-Ann Barnum

592-Prospect Park Co-op

626- John Jamieson
B632-SEMCOL
UMinn- Southeast Minneapolis Community Organizations Collection (990)
MHS- Southeast Minneapolis Community Organizations Collection

COLLECTION INVENTORY

Series 1: Archivist Series

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	0	Archivist Redacted
1	1	Archivist Future Notes
1	2	Archivist Notes

Series 2: Administration

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	3	Addresses
1	4	Address Labels
1	5	Articles & Bylaws
1	6	Brochures
1	7	Foundation
1	8	Graphics
1	9	Legal
1	10	Membership
1	11	MISC
1	12	Prospect Park Co-op F. 1
1	13	Prospect Park Co-op F. 2

Series 3: Correspondence

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	14	1975-1977
1	15	1976
1	16	1979-1981
1	17	1990
1	18	Minneapolis Foundation
1	19	Undated

Series 4: Minutes

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
1	20	1975
1	21	1976
1	22	1977
1	23	1978

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1	25	1980
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1	27	1982
1	28	SERAC

Series 5: Neighborhood Rehabilitation Program or NRP

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1	29	1975
1	30	1976
1	31	1977
1	32	1976-1977 Policies
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1	36	1982 Proposal Summary
1	37	1982 Housing
1	38	1982 Economic
1	39	1982 General Management
1	40	1982 Transportation
1	41	1982 Property Services
1	42	1982 Human Development
1	43	1982 Health & Safety
1	44	1982 CLIC Recommendations
1	45	1982 Misc.
1	46	Block Grant Processing
1	47	Citizen Participation 1982
1	48	Undated
2	49	Unified Citizens Participation Plan
2	50	University Community Planning
2	51	University: 1976
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2	54	University: January-February 1979
2	55	University: March 1979
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2	57	University: July-September 1979
2	58	University: October-November 1979
2	59	University: December 1979
2	60	University: January-April 1980
2	61	University: May-August 1980
2	62	University: September-December 1980
2	63	University: 1981 F.1
2	64	University: 1981 F. 2
2	65	University Steam Engine

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Series 6: Projects

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
2	67	1960s
2	68	1976-1978
2	69	Bosclair Advisory Task Force F. 1
2	70	Bosclair Advisory Task Force F. 2
2	71	CLIC Capital Improvements
2	72	Dutch Elm Disease F. 1
2	73	Dutch Elm Disease F. 2
2	74	Heritage Preservation Commission
3	75	Hope Church Development
3	76	Holmes Urban Renewal Plan R-48
3	77	Holmes Urban Renewal Plan F. 2
3	78	Marcy Holmes Correspondence
3	79	Marshall-University Site Disposition
3	80	Misc.
3	81	Motely/Glendale N.S.A Committee'
3	82	Motely School Disposition
3	83	Motely N.S.A Occupancy Survey
3	84	Riverfront Critical Area
3	85	Riverfront Development Coordination Board F.1
3	86	Riverfront Development Coordination Board F. 2
3	87	Riverfront Development Coordination Board F. 3
3	88	Riverfront Development Coordination Board F. 4
3	89	Riverfront Development Coordination Board Minutes F. 1
3	90	Riverfront Development Coordination Board Minutes F. 2
3	91	River Ramble F. 1
3	92	River Ramble F. 2
3	93	Southeast Guide
3	94	Southeast Waste Building
3	95	Undated
4	96	University Ave 40 Acre Study F. 1
4	97	University Ave 40 Acre Study F. 2
4	98	University Ave 40 Acre Study F. 3
4	99	University Florence Court
4	100	University Stadium Project
4	101	Zoning

Series 7: Publications

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Folder No.</u>	
4	102	5 year Minneapolis School Plan F. 1

4	103	5 year Minneapolis School Plan F. 2
4	104	5 year Minneapolis School Plan F. 3
4	105	5 year Minneapolis School Plan F.4
4	106	At the foot of the Mountain
4	107	Commuter Bicycling in the 1980s
4	108	Community Development Block Grant Process
4	109	I-35W Preface
4	110	I-35W Redevelopment Plan
4	111	I-35W Relocation Plan
4	112	I-35W Financing
4	113	I-35W Tax Increment Plan
4	114	I-35W Legal
4	115	I-35W Supporting Documentation
4	116	I-35W Project Area Report
4	117	I-35W Citizen Participation
4	118	I-35W Public Improvement
4	119	I-35W Implementation Schedule
4	120	I-35W Environmental Review
4	121	I-35W Affirmation Action Policy
4	122	MN Historical Society Newsletter
4	123	Park Board Newsletter
4	124	Plan for the 1980s
4	125	Public Life
4	126	SEMPACC Newsletter
4	127	SERAC Committee
4	128	St. Anthony Main Newsletter
4	129	Southeast MPLS Riverfront Plan
4	130	University Community Plan for the 1980s
4	131	University Stadium
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Series 8: Research

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4	133	Foundation
4	134	MN Opera
4	135	School