

City of Ramsey Statement of Qualifications to Provide Park Master Planning Services

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- Commercial
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- Government
- Healthcare
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- Industrial
- Pipeline and Utilities
- Public Works

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- Architecture
- Civil Engineering
- Landscape Architecture + Planning
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LHB is dedicated to being environmentally responsible, reducing long term operating costs, and improving the quality of life for our clients. With a staff of 260, we provide integrated design solutions. Since 1966, our people have focused their talents and specialize in providing creative, practical and cost-effective design solutions for our clients.

We create sustainable designs for all types of facilities and infrastructure to produce energy-efficient buildings; promote ecological use of materials; and utilize natural systems that provide healthy, cost-effective benefits from natural lighting to stormwater reuse.



- Top 500 Design Firms, ENR (Engineering News Record) Magazine
- Top 300 Architecture Firms, **100-9** Architectural Record

LHB Staff by Discipline

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| Licensed Architects..... | 25 |
| Graduate Architects..... | 15 |
| Licensed Landscape Architects..... | 4 |
| Graduate Landscape Architects..... | 3 |
| Licensed Civil Engineers..... | 15 |
| Licensed Mechanical Engineers..... | 12 |
| Licensed Fire Protection Engineers...1 | |
| Licensed Electrical Engineers..... | 6 |
| Licensed Structural Engineers..... | 14 |
| Graduate Engineers..... | 30 |
| Licensed Land Surveyors..... | 2 |
| Survey Crew Chiefs..... | 15 |
| Survey Technicians..... | 15 |
| Certified Interior Designers..... | 3 |
| A/E Design Technicians..... | 46 |
| Technical Staff..... | 9 |
| Administrative Staff..... | 43 |
| Planning and Development..... | 1 |
| Historic Preservationist..... | 1 |
| TOTAL LHB STAFF..... | 260 |





Michael A. Fischer, AIA, LEED AP Principal

Michael has 30 years of experience as project principal, project manager, project designer, and project architect on planning, urban design, educational, commercial and governmental projects. He has become an expert on Tax Increment Finance District analysis assisting over 100 cities with strategic planning for TIF Districts. He is a Architectural Principal at LHB and currently leads the Minneapolis office.

Michael completed a two-year Bush Fellowship in 1999, earning Masters Degrees in City Planning and Real Estate Development from MIT. He has served on more than 50 committees, boards and community task forces, including a term as a City Council President and as Chair of a Metropolitan Planning Organization. Most recently, he served as Chair of the Edina, Minnesota planning commission. Michael has also managed and designed several award-winning architectural projects, and was one of four architects in the Country to receive the AIA Young Architects Citation in 1997.

Project Experience

- Roseville Parks and Recreation Master Planning; Roseville MN
- Firemen's Park; Chaska, MN
- Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB): Minneapolis, MN
 - Mississippi Central Riverfront Master Plan
 - RecQuest
 - Downtown Service Area Master Plan
 - North Lake Calhoun/South Lake of the Isles Design Charette
 - East Phillips Park Community Center
 - Sixth District Dog Park
- Ojibway Park Master Plan; Woodbury, MN
- Cloquet Parks and Recreation Master Plan; Cloquet, MN Duluth YMCA Natilus Room Remodel; Duluth, MN
- Duluth YMCA Lobby Remodel; Duluth, MN
- Wayzata Bay Center Redevelopment; Wayzata, MN
- South St. Paul Parks Master Plan; South St. Paul, MN
- Loose-Wiles Building LHB Office Remodel; Minneapolis, MN
- North Urban Regional Trail; Dakota County, MN
- Seward/Longfellow Midtown Greenway; Minneapolis, MN
- Lowry Avenue Corridor Revitalization Plan; Minneapolis, MN
- Bassett Creek Valley Eco-Industrial Master Plan; Minneapolis, MN
- Tower Avenue Revitalization; Superior, WI
- Barker's Island Master Plan; Superior, WI
- Cloquet Downtown Revitalization Plan; Cloquet, MN
- Old Downtown Duluth Revitalization Plan; Duluth, MN
- Richard I. Bong World War II Heritage Center; Superior, WI
- Olivia Downtown Redevelopment; Olivia, MN
- Barker's Island Master Plan; Superior, WI
- Westwind Senior Housing; St. Cloud, MN

Registration

Licensed Architect
in Minnesota and Wisconsin

Accreditation

U.S. Green Building Council
Leadership in Energy and
Environmental Design
Accredited Professional (LEED
AP)

Affiliation

American Institute of Architects
American Planning Association
Sensible Land Use Coalition
Economic Development
Association of Minnesota
Lambda Alpha International
Urban Land Institute

Education

Master of City Planning
Master of Science in
Real Estate Development,
Certificate of Urban Design
Massachusetts Institute
of Technology (MIT),
Bachelor of Architecture,
North Dakota State University

Recognition

Hugh Hampton Young Fellow
Bush Fellow
Recipient of 1996 AIA
Minnesota Young Architects
Citation
Recipient of 1997 National AIA



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Lydia A. Major, PLA, LEED AP Project Manager

Lydia works with clients and communities to create vibrant public, commercial, and residential places. She uses a collaborative design process to develop solutions that benefit the client, the community, and the environment. Her projects include community, education, park, trail, and transportation system planning projects, where her skills with public engagement help generate support and real solutions, as well as smaller public and private projects, where she focuses on the details that create memorable experiences.

Lydia integrates technical and communication skills to produce compelling plans, models, renderings, and other presentation materials. Communication is a critical component in all projects, and Lydia uses her education as a writer to create project documents, including master plans, reports, city submittals, and other communications materials that become living documents in support of real progress to positively impact people's lives.

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 - East Phillips Park Community Center
 - Sixth District Dog Park
- Ojibway Park Master Plan; Woodbury, MN
- Cloquet Parks and Recreation Master Plan; Cloquet, MN
- Minneapolis Community and Technical College; Minneapolis, MN
 - Fine Arts Plaza
 - Helland Student Center
- Century College Master Facilities Plan; White Bear Lake, MN
- Bemidji State University; Bemidji, MN
 - Master Facilities Plan
 - Landscape Master Plan
 - Memorial Hall Plaza Concrete and Masonry
- University of Minnesota, Morris; Morris, MN
 - Green Prairie Living and Learning Community
 - DeWall Courtyard
 - EcoStation
 - Senior Legacy Project
 - Eco Center Feasibility Study
 - Sculpture Location Plan
- Normandale Community College; Bloomington, MN
 - Kopp Student Union Renovation and Addition
 - Stormwater Master Plan
- St. Cloud Technical and Community College; St. Cloud, MN
 - Master Plan
 - Door 6 Landscape
 - Door 17 Landscape
 - CTEC Landscape
 - Medium Truck and Autobody

Registration

Licensed Landscape Architect in Minnesota

Accreditation

U.S. Green Building Council
Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
Accredited Professional
(LEED AP)

Affiliation

American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), Member

Education

Master of Landscape Architecture,
University of Minnesota
Bachelor of Arts,
Honors English,
University of Wisconsin-Madison

Recognition

2016 ASLA-MN Merit Award,
TH 100 Visual Quality Manual
2015 ASLA-MN Honor Award,
Central Riverfront Regional Park Master Plan
2014 ASLA-MN Merit Award,
MCTC Fine Arts Plaza
2013 Minneapolis Downtown Improvement District Greening Award, Best Plaza, MCTC Fine Arts Plaza



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Sarah K. Weeks, ASSOCIATE ASLA Landscape Designer

Sarah approaches projects thoughtfully and creatively, and is dedicated to a design process that integrates the needs of the client with those of the community and the environment. She works across scales to envision and create compelling places: her projects have ranged from broad-scaled park and community master plans, to streetscape design, to smaller, more intimate sites. Sarah is excited by community engagement: as part of her time living in Grand Marais, Minnesota, she helped facilitate a design charrette and site plan concept that led to the installation of a new campus, integrating stormwater infrastructure with an enhanced community gathering space.

Sarah combines her skills with the Adobe Creative Suite, AutoCAD, ArcGIS, SketchUp and Rhino with her background in fine arts to create evocative, compelling renderings, plans and 3D models that communicate sense of place and design intent. She also brings her experience in writing and research to produce effective project documents, including master plans, design guidelines, proposals and presentation materials.

Project Experience (Experience prior to LHB)

- Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board (MPRB)
 - Downtown Service Area Master Plan; Minneapolis, MN
 - RecQuest Recreation Center Master Plan; Minneapolis, MN
 - Mississippi Central Riverfront Master Plan Firemen's Park; Chaska, MN
- Ojibway Park Master Plan; Woodbury, MN
- Grandview District Transportation Study; Edina, MN
- Superior Street Reconstruction; Duluth, MN
- St. Anthony Falls Regional Park Master Plan; Minneapolis, MN
- Excelsior Boulevard Design Guidelines; St. Louis Park, MN
- Hennepin County Sustainable Landscape Guidelines; Hennepin County, MN
- Winona Bridge Landscape; Winona, MN*
- Ridgway Overlook; Minneapolis, MN*
- Lake Elmo Regional Park Reserve Visioning Study; Lake Elmo, MN*
- Fargo-Moorhead Area Diversion Recreation and Land Use Master Plan; Fargo-Moorehead, MN*
- South Loop Streetscape Master Plan and Lindau Link Master Plan; Bloomington, MN*
- Central High School: Transforming the Character of Place; St. Paul, MN*
- Rethinking West 7th Street; St. Paul, MN*
- Exploring Bioremediation Options for University of Minnesota, Rochester; Rochester, MN*

Affiliation

American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), Member

Education

Master of Landscape Architecture, College of Design, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
 Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art, Concentration in Women's and Gender Studies, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota
 Off-Campus Study: Associated Colleges of the Midwest Wilderness Field Station, Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness

Recognition

2015 ASLS-MN Honor Award
 Mississippi Central Riverfront Regional Master Plan
 President's Community Engaged Scholar Award, Metropolitan Design Center, 2013
 Capstone Merit Award, 2011
 ASLA Merit Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement, 2011
 Federated Garden Clubs of Minnesota Scholarship, 2010-2011

Roseville Parks and Recreation System Master Planning; Roseville, MN

LHB was hired to create a master plan that would engage citizens, refine their vision for parks, and establish a program of improvements to guide parks and recreation investments and programming for the next twenty years. That inclusive process led directly to the investment of over \$16M in renovations to nearly every park in Roseville, including new buildings, play areas, sports facilities, natural resource restorations, and other improvements. The upgraded parks have been well-received and heavily used since they opened.



Downtown Service Area Master Plan; Minneapolis, MN

The Downtown Service Area Master Plan is exploring innovative approaches to the community engagement and design process—one that is broadly inclusive and experience-focused. The process also is reconsidering ways of delivering parks and recreation services to downtown park users, and looking across functional service areas to create a plan that is inclusive in its process, comprehensive in its content, and visionary in both approach and results. The draft document is now in the public review process, but is already impacting development in Minneapolis.



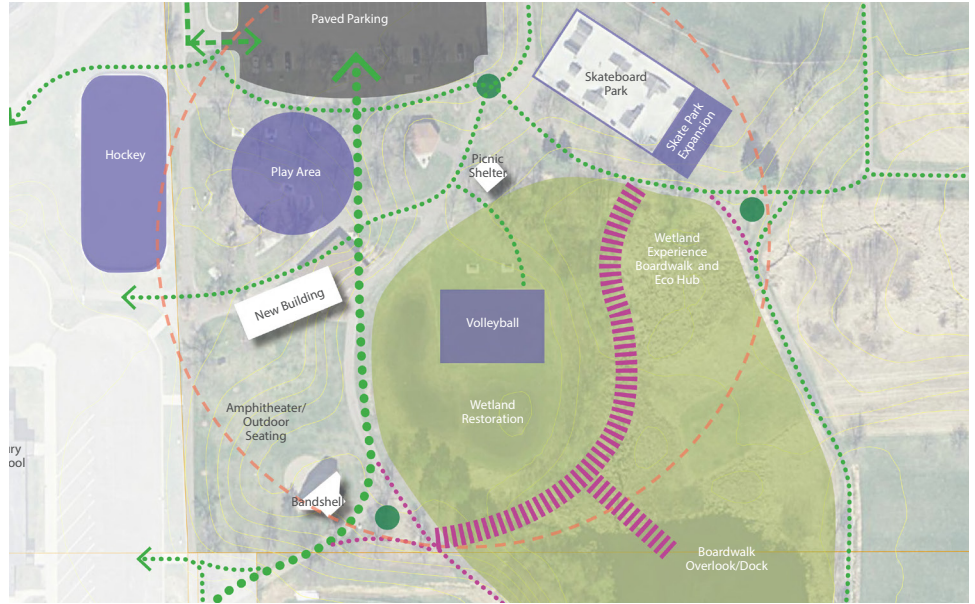
Firemen's Park; Chaska, MN

The master plan for the project included extensive renovation of Firemen's Park and Schimelpfenig Park. The master planning process engaged park user and interest groups to better understand the needs and desires of each group and to share the underlying intentions of the project. The master plan led directly to the construction of both park projects, which are now open to the public. The parks have already become popular spaces, bringing activity and pride to Downtown Chaska.



Ojibway Park Master Plan;
Woodbury, MN

LHB was selected by Woodbury to develop a new vision for Ojibway Park based on a shared understanding of existing conditions and exploration of the possibilities for programming, facilities, maintenance, and operations. After several months spent talking to the community, the process is now beginning to shape a framework for the development of specific design elements, including a new park building.



RecQuest;
Minneapolis, MN

LHB is leading a team of national consultants to help the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) plan the future of its recreation center system. The team is working closely with communities across Minneapolis to understand how best to direct future investments to meet the changing needs for recreation, education, and interaction. Like the Downtown Service Area Master Plan, RecQuest is also planning innovative stakeholder engagement to create a plan that is inclusive and visionary.



Wheelchair Softball Field;
Brooklyn Park, MN

LHB provided planning, design, and construction related services on Minnesota's First Wheelchair Softball complex for the City of Brooklyn Park. This is one example of the many individual park and trail projects we have done in Minnesota in recent years. Our experience with these municipal investments and construction projects gives us a strong understanding of what it takes to actually construct the improvements we plan.

