



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Health Department**

Date: July 24, 2013

To: PUBLIC SAFETY, CIVIL RIGHTS & HEALTH COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A STATE OF MINNESOTA GRANT FOR STATEWIDE HEALTH IMPROVE PROGRAM FUNDING TO REDUCE OBESITY AND REDUCE THE USE OF AND EXPOSURE TO TOBACCO

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to submit two applications for 20 month grants from the Minnesota Department of Health for up to \$1,950,000 total, for a project period of November 1, 2013 through June 20, 2015, for continuation of the Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) Minneapolis and new SHIP Innovations funding. The purpose of SHIP Minneapolis is to use evidence-based strategies targeted at reducing the percentage of Minneapolis residents who are obese or overweight and reducing the use of and exposure to tobacco.

Previous Directives: Council authorizations to submit SHIP grant applications on March 27, 2009 and October 21, 2011.

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Other financial impact (Explain): The City would receive one grant for up to \$1,565,313 and another grant up to \$384,687 for a total up to \$1,950,000.

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department requests authorization to apply for two 20 month grants from the Minnesota Department of Health's Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) to continue Minneapolis SHIP, and the new SHIP Innovations funding. Since July, 2009 the Department has delivered the SHIP program to help city residents live longer, healthier lives by reducing the burden of chronic diseases such as asthma, cancer, heart disease and diabetes. When nutritious food and physical activity is available and affordable, people are less likely to be obese. Likewise, smoke-free environments reduce tobacco related illnesses. This grant would allow the department and its partners to continue making long-term, sustainable improvements in Minneapolis parks, schools, worksites, child care, corner stores, housing complexes and other environments to support healthy living. As with the first four years of SHIP funding, the state requires a 10% match of the total award. Authorization is requested to use City in-kind resources and contributions from project partners to meet the match of up to \$195,000.