



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Neighborhood and Community Relations

Date: October 6, 2014

To: Cam Gordon, Chair of Health, Environment and Community Engagement
Committee

Referral to: John Quincy, Chair of Ways and Means Committee

Subject: **Allocation of \$75,000 of Phase II NRP funds for the Sumner Glenwood
Neighborhood / Heritage Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA)**

Recommendation:

1. Amend the March 22, 2004 action by the NRP Policy Board to reduce the University neighborhood allocation by \$75,000, for a new Phase II allocation of \$25,000.
2. Amend the March 22, 2004 action by the NRP Policy Board to increase the Sumner-Glenwood allocation by \$75,000, for a new total of \$100,000
3. Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement this request.

Previous Directives: On September 10, 2014 the NRP Policy Board approved a \$75,000 reduction in the NRP Phase II University allocation and approved a \$75,000 increase in the NRP Phase II allocation for Sumner Glenwood / Heritage Park Neighborhood Association.

On March 22, 2004, the NRP Policy Board approved three resolutions: (1) to provide an NRP Phase II allocation for Sumner Glenwood neighborhood of \$25,000, (2) provide a \$100,000 allocation for University neighborhood, and (3) establish a minimum allocation for all other neighborhoods of \$100,000.

Department Information

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Financial Impact

No financial impact. The funding for the NRP Phase II neighborhood allocations are available within the NRP Fund balance. This action is within the NCR Business Plan. The request has been provided to the Finance Department.

Community Impact

Following review by the NRP Policy Board on June 14, NCR sent the draft recommendation to neighborhood organizations for 45-day review and comment period. As of September 10, 2014, NCR has received one letter in support and no letters opposed.

Neighborhood Notification—The neighborhood organization is aware of this approval process, and is working with NCR on a plan and budget for the funds.

City Goals -This action is consistent with the City Goals: **Equity:** Disparities are nonexistent and all people have opportunities for success **Engaging the community:** All have a voice and are heard. **Connectedness:** People are connected with their community, are connected to all parts of the city and can influence government.

Supporting Information

Following the 1995 Hollman Consent Decree, the Sumner-Glenwood neighborhood experienced relocation of most residents. The 2000 Census showed 144 residents in the neighborhood, mostly South of Olson Memorial Highway. Since that time, the neighborhood has grown significantly following redevelopment, and has become one of the most diverse communities in the City. As a result, the NRP Phase II allocation seems inadequate.

The University neighborhood remains without a neighborhood organization, despite some efforts to form a neighborhood association in the 1990s and again in the early 2000s. NCR staff do not believe that a neighborhood organization will be formed in the University neighborhood in the foreseeable future.

While reasonable at the time for the population of the neighborhood, the 2004 Phase II allocation for Sumner Glenwood now appears to be inequitable, and staff recommend this adjustment to address those unintended inequities.

After adjusting for funds frozen by the December 2010 City Council budget action, and accounting for Phase II funds expended by Heritage Park Neighborhood Association for Phase II planning, the amount of additional funding that would actually be made available to the Sumner-Glenwood neighborhood would be \$49,512.94 for Phase II expenditures.