

City of Minneapolis
Request for Committee Action

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Subject:

Resolution to formally recognize the City Council as the Community Health Board for the City of Minneapolis

Description:

Adopting resolution that the City Council of the City of Minneapolis shall be formally recognized as the Community Health Board for the City of Minneapolis.

Previous Actions:

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Background/Analysis:

The City of Minneapolis, through its Health Department, has been operating and providing community health services since 1977. The City has received Community Health Services subsidies annually since then, and has submitted community health assessments and plans every five years as required by state statute. Prior City Charter language referred to the Council as a Local Board of Health before the language was eliminated, and this resolution will formally recognize the City Council as the Community Health Board for the City of Minneapolis.

Financial Review:

No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.

- Future budget impact anticipated.**
- Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.**
- Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.**

Attachments:

1. Resolution

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

By Gordon

Recognizing of the City Council as the Community Health Board for the City of Minneapolis.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Minneapolis is the official governing body of the City of Minneapolis and has been the official Board of Health for the City of Minneapolis since 1867 as stated in the former Minneapolis City Charter, Chapter 14, section 1; and

Whereas, in 1976, the Minnesota legislature adopted the Community Health Services Act providing for State subsidies for community health services at the local level throughout the State of Minnesota; and

Whereas, City Council adopted by resolution on December 10, 1976, a plan for the provision of Community Health Services in the City of Minneapolis prepared and recommended by the Minneapolis Public Health Advisory Committee; and

Whereas, the December 10, 1976 resolution also resolved that the Commissioner of Health would function as the authorized official for administering the Community Health Services Plan and funds, authorized submission of applications for Community Health Services Act subsidies and designated the Minneapolis Department of Health as the local community health service agency but did not formally establish the City Council as a Community Health Board; and

Whereas, based upon the December 10, 1976, resolution, the Minnesota Department of Health recognized the City of Minneapolis as one of the first officially recognized Community Health Boards following the passage of the original Community Health Services Act in 1976; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis has received Community Health Services funding annually since 1977; and

Whereas, in 2014, the Minnesota legislature revised the Local Public Health Act, Chapter 145A, eliminating Local Boards of Health and providing only for Community Health Boards; and

Whereas, under Chapter 145A, a Community Health Board may be comprised of a single city that was established as a Community Health Board prior to January 1, 2014, or a single county, or multiple contiguous counties; and

Whereas, the Minnesota Department of Health continues to recognize the City of Minneapolis as a single city Community Health Board; and

Whereas, the Minneapolis City Charter approved by the voters in the 2013 election does not reference the City Council as either a local board of health or a Community Health Board; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Council of the City of Minneapolis shall be formally recognized as the Community Health Board for the City of Minneapolis.