

**City of Minneapolis**  
**Request for Committee Action**

**To:** Ways & Means  
**Date:** 2/22/2016  
**Referral:** N/A  
**From:** City Attorney's Office  
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**Subcategory:** Grant

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**Subject:**

Acceptance of Grant from the Minneapolis Downtown Improvement District and authorization to enter into fourth amended Downtown 100 & Focus 18-24 agreement.

**Description:**

1. Authorizing the City Attorney's Office to enter into the fourth amended grant agreement with the Minneapolis Downtown Improvement District (DID) to receive \$200,000 in calendar year 2016 to continue the downtown chronic offender prosecution program (Downtown 100) and Focus 18-24 initiative.
2. Passing resolution increasing the City Attorney's Office, Criminal Division, Grants-Other Fund (01600- 1400100) by \$200,000 and increasing Revenue in the City Attorney's Office Criminal Division Grants-Other by \$200,000 (01600-1400100-322502)

**Previous Actions:**

- On January 29, 2010, the City accepted a grant in the amount of \$85,000 from DID implementing the downtown chronic offender prosecution program.
  - On May 25, 2012, the City and DID entered into a new agreement, accepting \$150,000 in grant funds.
  - From 2013 to 2015, the contract was amended three times to increase the grant amount, to implement the Focus 18-24 initiative, and to include additional probationary services. (Res. No. 2013R-596, Res. No. 2015R-013)
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**Ward/Address:**

Ward 3

**Background/Analysis:**

The purpose of the Downtown 100 initiative is to reduce crime and obtain improved outcomes in reducing recidivism by using a holistic, team-based prosecution approach for the most chronic livability property and drug crime offenders in the Downtown area. The initiative involves a cooperative effort between the Minneapolis City Attorney's Office, the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, Hennepin County Community Corrections, the Minneapolis Police Department, the DID and its subsidiary, Safe Zone, St. Stephen's Homeless Outreach, the Salvation Army and other downtown service providers, business partners, community members and other stakeholders.

Focus 18-24 is an adjunct to the Downtown 100 program. It focuses on young adults aged 18-24 who have a pattern of criminal conduct within downtown Minneapolis, primarily involving

property, drug, assault and livability offenses. This program similarly seeks to connect these young adults with needed services. Partners for this program include youth serving agencies such as YouthLink, The Link, Network for Better Futures, Hope Street (Catholic Charities), Streetworks (Lutheran Social Services), Avenues, St. Stephens Homeless Outreach and the Salvation Army.

The 2015 results are not yet fully compiled, but in 2014 there was a 78% reduction in new cases of Downtown 100 and Focus 18-24 offenders.

The DID grant funds the following services:

- \$90,000 – 1.5 Probation Officers
- \$110,000 –community prosecutor

**Financial Review:**

**Additional appropriation required.**

Increase to City Attorney's Office, Criminal Division, Grants-Other Fund (01600- 1400100) of \$200,000 and increase Revenue in the City Attorney's Office Criminal Division Grants-Other by \$200,000 (01600-1400100-322502)

**Future budget impact anticipated.**

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**Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.**

**Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.**