

City of Minneapolis Request for Committee Action

To: Health, Environment & Community Engagement
Date: 5/2/2016
Referral: Ways & Means
From: Health Department
Lead Staff: Patty Bowler, Director Policy & Community Programs, x3009
Presented by: Sara Goodnough, Coordinator, Skyway Senior Center
File Type: Resolution
Subcategory: Donation/Gift Acceptance

Subject:

Donation acceptance from the Friends of the Skyway Senior Center for Center operations.

Description:

Passage of Resolution accepting donations from the Friends of the Skyway Senior Center to support operating expenses of the Skyway Senior Center of up to \$90,000.

Previous Actions:

None

Ward/Address:

Not Applicable

Background/Analysis:

In 2001 the non-profit Friends of the Skyway Senior Center was established to provide support and fundraising on behalf of the Skyway Senior Center. Over time the Friends have directly supported Center events and other special expenses while accumulating other funds to support the Center in the event of a loss of sponsor funding. At the end of 2015 the prior funder for the Center, UCARE, discontinued its support for the Center. Augustana originally provided \$10,000 for the period Oct. 1, 2015-September 30, 2016 but has decided to cut back their contribution to \$7,500 and end sponsorship on June 30, 2016.

Other major sponsors and partnerships have been rigorously pursued and a funding decision from a potential supporter is pending. While pursuing sponsors, funding from the Friends Board is needed to continue Center operations through September, 2016.

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.**