



# MINNEAPOLIS

# ECONOMIC RECOVERY STRATEGY

City of Minneapolis government is committed to aggressively pursuing and wisely investing federal stimulus spending to get our economy moving. **THE MINNEAPOLIS ECONOMIC RECOVERY STRATEGY** is to preserve and create jobs and make public investments translate into a more competitive future for the people of Minneapolis and this entire region.

Using Minneapolis' long-range plans as a cornerstone, top City elected and department officials have identified alignments with the goals of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act. The City's Economic Recovery Team is now prioritizing projects and preparing to aggressively pursue those that advance both the City's goals and those of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA). This staff leadership team is also in active discussions with regional public & private sector partners to maximize opportunities for the region.

Minneapolis Economic Recovery plan focuses in the following **STRATEGIC AREAS**:

- Protect Public Safety Gains
- Retain and Create Jobs, & Prepare Workers for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economy
- Modernize Infrastructure
- Leverage Minneapolis' Wireless & Technology Infrastructure
- Support People & Communities Most Impacted by the Economic Downturn
- Expand our Green Economy & Build a Greener Minneapolis
- Promote Regional Competitiveness & Efficiencies

## MINNEAPOLIS ECONOMIC RECOVERY VALUES & TEAM

### Minneapolis Values

The City of Minneapolis is committed to executing its Economic Recovery Action Plan with the utmost accountability, transparency and responsibility. Job one for the staff team leading Minneapolis' Economic Recovery effort will be to institute strategies and tools that ensure the people of Minneapolis and the general public has clear information on how dollars are used and the results we have accomplished through these Federal investments.

### The Minneapolis Team

Mayor R.T. Rybak and City Council President Barbara Johnson created the Economic Recovery Action Team to identify strategic opportunities that advance the mutual goals of the City and the Federal Recovery Act. This team will make recommendations about project alignments and priorities to the Mayor and City Council. This includes:

- Analyze Recovery & Reinvestment Act for opportunities for Minneapolis and the region
- Rapid preparation of proposals (formula or block grant dollars) that advance the City's strategic priorities
- Partner with regional and state government agencies to maximize investments coming to the region Partner with the nonprofit and private sectors to leverage federal dollars and compete effectively for grant funds
- Develop & execute transparent reporting so investments can be measured against results

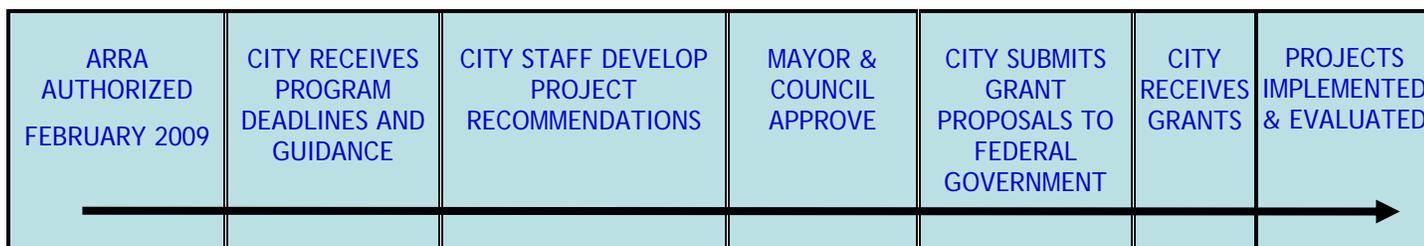


### Collaborating with other Jurisdictions & Community Partners

Minneapolis staff leaders are working with other government agencies and jurisdictions to ensure that the City and the entire region are identifying the most effective strategies to bring jobs and economic growth to our communities. In addition, staff from all City departments are working directly with stakeholders in their fields to ensure that the business, nonprofit, philanthropic and social service communities are involved in the recovery effort, and understand where their work may play a role.

### Minneapolis Economic Recovery Grant Application & Approval Process

The Minneapolis Economic Recovery Action Team will lead the process for identifying potential grant dollars, identifying guidelines and deadlines, and making project recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for approval. Staff will lead the grant application process, implement projects when dollars are received, and evaluate and report results. Here is the process flow chart:



### ABOUT THE AMERICAN RECOVERY & REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009

Congress approved the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 in February. It is a \$787 billion package that includes 350 individual tax provisions and spending programs. The Act balances tax cuts, investments and aid to state and local governments, with the following breakdown:

- 32% Tax cuts
- 23% Investments (highways, transit, health, education, etc)
- 18% Aid for states and localities
- 16% Help for those most in need
- 11% Green investments

Find more information on the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act at [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov).

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