Request for City Council Committee Action
from the Office of IGR/Grants and Special Projects

Date: February 3, 2009

To: Council Member Betsy Hodges, Chair-Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Subject: 2008 Annual Report from the Office of Grants and Special Projects

Recommendation: Receive and file this information

Previous Directives: Regular reports of grant activity should be provided to the committee.

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Approved by Gene Ranieri, Director-Intergovernmental Relations _____
Permanent Review Committee (PRC) Approval _____ Not Applicable __X__

Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable _X__

Presenters in Committee: Matt Bower, Project Coordinator

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

_X_ No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

Community Impact (use any categories that apply)

Neighborhood Notification

City Goals

Comprehensive Plan

Zoning Code

Other

Background/Supporting Information Attached

Annual Report

OFFICE OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

Performance Measures 2006-2008

INDICATOR	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**
Number of grant applications submitted*	98	193	80
Number of grant awards	69	141	89
Amount of money applied for	$33,245,348	$65,321,984	$52,243,456
Amount awarded	$15,558,183	$34,783,996	$24,431,725
Number of Grant Users' meetings	3	3	2
Meetings to discuss funding/grant options	102	76	43

*It is difficult to have an accurate count of the number of grant applications submitted by city departments. This current number is based on reviews of council committee actions and the Grant Review Forms returned to the office.

The above grant application/award amounts do not include the following 2008 HUD Entitlement Grants:

Community Development Block Grant	$ 13,293,272
HOME Investment Partnerships	$ 3,419,475
Emergency Shelter Grants	$ 595,800
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	$ 873,000
American Dream Down Payment Initiative	$ 26,256

2008 Applications/Awards in Relation to City Goals

1. A safe place to call home-housing, health and safety	Applications: 24 Awards: 62
2. One Minneapolis-equal access, equal opportunity, equal input	Applications: 0 Awards: 1
3. Lifelong learning second to none-schools, libraries and innovation	Applications: 0 Awards: 0
4. Connected communities-great spaces and places, thriving neighborhoods	Applications: 5 Awards: 1
5. Enriched environment-green space, arts, sustainability	Applications: 1 Awards: 5
6. A premiere destination-visitors, investment and vitality	Applications: 50 Awards: 20

Other Activities

- Coordinated response to HUD review of annual performance report
- HOPWA technical assistance
- HOPWA contract monitoring
- Participated in Business Process Improvement Initiative
- Sister Cities activities
- Established Cuernavaca, Mexico sister city relationship
- Stadium Advisory Group meetings
- Minneapolis Sesquicentennial staffing support
- Results Minneapolis presentation
- Coordinated response to HUD Community Development Block Grant monitoring
- Tracked federal foreclosure assistance legislation
- Developed application for federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds (housing foreclosure)
- Closed out HUD Special Purpose Grant for Summit Academy
- Applied for Innovations in American Government award on behalf of metropolitan Fair Housing Implementation Committee