



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: May 20, 2008
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: Walker Art Center-Rock the Garden Block Party June 20, 2008 to June 22, 2008

Recommendation:

Approve large block event to operate outside of City of Minneapolis Ordinance language, Title 17, Chapter 45

Previous Directives:

March 10, 2006 -- Passage of Ordinance amending Title 17, Chapter 455 of Code relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events, establishing a new "large block event" category, extending the hours allowed for block events, and clarifying amplified sound permit requirements for residential block events.

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	NA	Date

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
 Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
 Action requires use of contingency or reserves
 Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
 Other financial impact (Explain):
 Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Applicant must adhere to all conditions of Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events
City Goals: Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city
Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The Walker Art Center has requested the closure of Vineland Place from Hennepin Avenue South to Bryant Avenue South.

The closure of Vineland Place would be from 6:30p.m. On Friday June 20, 2008 for set-up of the Walker Art Center's "Rock the Garden" Block Party until tear down is complete at 8am on Sunday June 22, 2008. The hours of the event on Saturday June 21 are from 4p.m. to 10p.m. Access to the City of Minneapolis parking ramp would be allowed at all times. This set-up time and operation of the Walker Art Center's "Rock the Garden" block event is outside the large block event ordinance and thus needs Council approval.

Public Works agrees with allowing the closure of Vineland Place during that time period as long as the applicant acquires the proper permits needed in order to hold the event. In addition the applicant will be responsible for obtaining the proper signage needed for lane and sidewalk closures, the applicant is also responsible for hiring the proper amount of police officers for traffic control during the event.

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