



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

Date: March 1, 2011

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Ordinance Change – Moving Certain Property Services Responsibilities from the City Engineer to the Finance Department**

Recommendation:
Set Public Hearing for March 22, 2011.

Previous Directives:

- February 25, 2011 - Subject matter amending the following ordinances was introduced and referred to the Transportation and Public Works Committee:

Amending Title 10, Chapter 202 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Food Code: Municipal Market
- February 11, 2011 – Subject matter amending the following ordinances was introduced and referred to the Transportation and Public Works Committee:

Amending Chapter 22 and Chapter 17 of Title 2 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to *Administration*:

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Steven Bosacker, City Coordinator

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Reviews Not Applicable

Financial Impact
No Financial Impact

Community Impact
Neighborhood Notification: NA
City Goals: A City that Works
Comprehensive Plan: NA
Zoning Code: NA

Background/Supporting Information

Property Services, currently a division of the Department of Public Works, provides long-term planning and management of City government's land and facilities needs. They do this through the design and construction of facilities, space management and planning, energy management, and security oversight. Their services are largely enterprise in scope and internal in nature.

Moving Property Services to the City Coordinator Department would better align the nature of their work with other enterprise management services (e.g., procurement, technology services, risk management, and other financial services), provide the division with greater leverage for their work with their internal City customers, and establish a closer link to finance divisions (including capital and debt management) and the financial analysis that is so important to their efforts.

Property Services would become a division of the Finance Department. This is a structural model and alignment commonly seen in public jurisdictions around the country, including Hennepin County and other cities in Minnesota.