

Minneapolis Community Development Agency

Request for City Council Action

Date: March 4, 2003

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee
Council Member Barbara Johnson, Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Refer to: MCDA Board of Commissioners

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Subject: Adjustment in City's Living Wage

Previous Directive: The Minneapolis City Council received and filed informational reports on Living Wage Adjustments in March of 2001 and 2002.

Ward: NA

Neighborhood Group Notification: NA

Consistency with *Building a City That Works*: NA

Comprehensive Plan Compliance: NA

Zoning Code Compliance: NA

Impact on MCDA Budget: (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the MCDA Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain):

Living Wage / Business Subsidy: Sets new living wage standard for 2003

Job Linkage: NA

Affirmative Action Compliance: NA

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RECOMMENDATION:

City Council Recommendation: The Executive Director recommends that the City Council Receive and File this Report, and forward to MCDA Board of Commissioners

MCDA Recommendation: The Executive Director recommends that the Board of Commissioners Receive and File this Report.

Background/Supporting Information

The City of Minneapolis' living wage standard is set at 110% of the federal poverty standard for a family of four.

For 2003, the federal standard, as published in the Federal Register, sets the Minneapolis living wage at \$9.73 an hour.

This wage is equivalent to an annual salary of \$20,240. It will be applied to economic development projects that have yet to execute development agreements with the Agency.