



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development

Date: August 17, 2009

To: Council Member Scott Benson, Health, Energy & Environment Committee

Referral to: Council Member Paul Ostrow, Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Request to apply for a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor.

Recommendation: Committee approval to apply for grants in excess of \$250,000 from Department of Labor Funds for the Employment and Training Administration's Pathways Out Of Poverty Green Job Training Grant.

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by: Cathy Polasky, Director of Economic Policy and Development

Presenters in Committee: Deb Bahr-Helgen, METP

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ___ Date N/A
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ___ Date N/A

Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- City Goals – One Minneapolis
- Living Wage/Business Subsidy Agreement Yes ___ No X

Supporting Information

The City of Minneapolis Employment and Training Program, in cooperation with Ramsey County Workforce Solutions will be applying for a \$4 million Department of Labor Pathways Out Of Poverty Green Job Training Grant. The grant will have a term of two years. The Pathways Out Of Poverty Grant Funds are intended to integrate training and supportive services into cohesive programs that will help target people in poverty find pathways out of poverty and into economic self-sufficiency through employment in the energy efficiency and renewable energy industries.