



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

Date: September 14, 2004
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Referral to: none

Subject: Postpone public hearing regarding amendments to Block Event Ordinance

Recommendation:

1. Postpone Public Hearing before the Transportation & Public Works Committee until October 26, 2004 amending Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events

Previous Directives:

- 4/16/04 - Block event ordinance adopted
- 8/6/04 - Subject matter of ordinance amendment introduced and referred to T&PW
- 8/10/04 - T&PW directive that date of public hearing be set at August 24, 2004 T&PW meeting
- 8/24/04 - Public hearing set for September 28, 2004

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Presenters: Klara A. Fabry, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

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

Other financial impact (Explain):

Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information:

There is a proposed public hearing scheduled on September 28, 2004 to consider changes to the block event ordinance (Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events). The notice of public hearing, however, has not yet been published.

Proposed ordinance changes were brought forth by Council Member Schiff. In addition, Public Works and Council Member Colvin Roy have also had discussions regarding other proposed changes relating to proper council member notification.

Due to a time commitment by the City Attorney's Office, Ed Backstrom is involved with a court case that will preclude him from addressing the block event ordinance until late September. In addition, since we are nearing the end of the block event season, there is no urgent need to bring this issue immediately forward on September 28. Therefore, we recommend that the public hearing be postponed two cycles to October 26, 2004.

cc: Ed Backstrom
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