

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

Community Impact (Summarize below)

Ward: 1, 5, 7

Neighborhood Notification: The Beltrami neighborhood organization was notified of the **415-417 Taylor Street NE** (Klesk Metal site) project on March 3, 2005. The Harrison and Bryn Mawr neighborhood organizations were informed about the **Van White Boulevard** project in 2000.

City Goals: The proposed projects are consistent with and contribute to attainment of the City goal to "Preserve and enhance our natural and historic environment and promote a clean, sustainable Minneapolis."

Comprehensive Plan: The projects generally comply with land reclamation and providing a healthy environment elements of the Minneapolis Plan.

Zoning Code: The projects either are in compliance or will comply.

Living Wage/Job Linkage: Environmental assistance is exempt from Living Wage/Business Subsidy and generally exempt from job linkage although there may be case by case exceptions.

Background/Supporting Information

The Community Planning & Economic Development Department is pleased to report that these two projects submitted in the spring 2005 grant round to the Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund (ERF) have been approved for funding. The awards total \$410,908 in pollution remediation grants. (In addition to these grants, five other projects in the City are being directly funded to the applicants from the spring 2005 round. Eat Street Flats LLC is receiving \$288,706 for their project at Franklin Ave and 1st Ave. S. in Ward 6. Haggem & associates is receiving \$32,740 for Greenway Terrace at 2850 Cedar Ave. S. in Ward 6. 2800 Hiawatha LLC (Ryan Companies) is receiving \$90,600 for the Hiawatha Business Center in Ward 6. The Park Board will be receiving \$50,000 for B.F. Nelson Park site in Ward 3 and Alliance Housing is being awarded \$25,000 for its project at 2601 West Broadway in Ward 5.)

Hennepin County has been collecting mortgage registry and deed tax for deposit into an Environmental Response Fund (ERF). The ERF is used for the assessment and clean up of contaminated sites located within Hennepin County, with emphasis on affordable housing projects.

Projects

415-417 Taylor Street NW (Klesk Metal site) Ward 1

Hennepin County ERF award: \$25,000;

This site was purchased by the MCDA and has possible pollution problems, including heavy metal, petroleum and unknown. Operational railroad, including a past locomotive repair roundhouse immediately to the West and south of site. Planned re-use is for housing development project with up to 8 units of housing.

Van White Boulevard Wards 5 and 7

Glenwood to Dunwoody Boulevard

Hennepin County ERF award: \$385,908

The City of Minneapolis will submit to the environmental funding agencies an application requesting approximately \$1,100,000 in grant funds to clean up polluted sites located within the Bassett Creek Valley (BCV) area of North Minneapolis. Clean up funding will enable the City to implement the findings of earlier EPA-grant funded assessment studies, \$20.0 million in public roadway construction activities, and the land-use recommendations in the Bassett Creek Valley Master Plan. Specifically, grant funds will be sought to remediate publicly-owned properties within the Van White Memorial Boulevard corridor. These properties include the former Scrap Metal Processors site, and portions of the Minneapolis Impound site, the Minneapolis School Board bus garage site, and the former Feist-Blanchard warehouse site (former oil recycler location).