



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Regulatory Services**

Date: April 7, 2004  
To: Public Safety & Regulatory Services  
Referral to: Ways and Means

**Subject**

The Rainleader Disconnect Program is seeking assistance from MWMO to fund an outreach program for homeowners to educate and support their efforts to remove inflow from the sanitary sewer system.

**Recommendation**

That your Committee authorize the proper city officials to conclude an agreement whereby the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization provides funds to the City of Minneapolis Rainleader Disconnection Program; Whereby the City will provide education and materials for homeowners to properly disconnect their rainleaders from the sanitary sewer; further, that the accepted funding will not exceed \$16,000; further, that these funds be appropriated to Environmental Services Rainleader Disconnection Revenue accounts 0600-835-8396-3720/01 for materials and services.

**Prepared or Submitted by:**

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**Approved by:**

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Merwyn Larson, Director Inspections

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Lori Olson, Interim Assistant City Coordinator

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**Presenters in Committee:** Bill Anderson, Deputy Director Environmental Services;  
Thomas Frame, Supervisor Environmental Management; Arvella Greenway, Program  
Manager Rainleader Disconnection Program

**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** (use any categories that apply)

Neighborhood Notification

City Goals

Comprehensive Plan

Zoning Code

Other

**Background/Supporting Information Attached**

At the January 20, 2004, meeting of the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization the Board of Commissioners approved a grant request by Environmental Services Rainleader Disconnection Program for a community outreach program to provide education and materials on how to disconnect residential rainleaders from the sanitary sewer system.

**Attachments:**

- MWMO Funding request for 2004 – Application requesting funding from the MWMO.
- MWMO Minneapolis Contract for 2004 – MWMO Fund Agreement
- Attachment 1: Scope of Services