



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

Date: January 4, 2011

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation and Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Subject: **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Funding for Energy Retrofits of Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Buildings**

Recommendation:

- a) Approve allocation of up to \$250,000 of the City of Minneapolis EECBG funds to energy retrofits at Minneapolis Park Board Buildings.
- b) Authorize the proper City staff to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Minneapolis Park Board that details the projects and the financial transactions that will take place once the projects are completed.

Previous Directives:

June 12, 2009: Resolution 2009R-248, authorizing the proper City Officers to submit an application to the United States Department of Energy seeking EECBG funds to support Energy Efficiency and Conservation at Local Government Facilities.

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Approved by:

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Approval	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	<u>NA</u>	Date _____

Financial Impact

No City funds will be used for these projects. All of the funds will come from the federal ARRA EECBG dollars that were accepted by the City in 2009.

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: NA

City Goals: Supports the City's goal for an Enriched Environment.

Comprehensive Plan: Supports the Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth (Policy 6.1, 6.2, and 6.3)
Zoning Code: NA

Background/Supporting Information

The City of Minneapolis was allocated \$1.9 million for energy conservation measures for its buildings from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program. Through the end of 2010, we anticipate having spent approximately \$350,000 of these funds on facilities housing municipal operations. We anticipate spending an additional approximately \$600,000 in 2011 on these municipal operations facilities. We anticipate spending approximately \$700,000 on energy conservation projects at the Minneapolis Convention Center. This would leave approximately \$250,000 for other projects that could be completed at buildings under the control of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board. The use of funds at the Park Board was listed as one possible application of the EECBG funds in the original letter to the Health, Energy, and Environment Committee in June, 2009. The funds would be used for engineering studies, specification writing, and the installation of new equipment. Park Board staff will manage the projects.

A list of initial projects is in the table below:

Site	Project Description
Folwell Community Center	Install furnace/asbestos abatement
Hiawatha School Park Recreation Center	Install boiler/asbestos abatement/ energy system controls
Martin Luther King Community Center	energy system controls
Lake Nokomis Community Center	Install 5 furnaces
Stewart Recreation Center	Install 4 furnaces

The main requirements on these projects are that the equipment must be made in the U.S.A. and that all labor must meet Davis-Bacon specifications. All work must be completed by December 31, 2011.