



Request for City Council Committee Action

Date: August 29, 2002

To: Transportation and Public Works Committee

Referral To: Ways and Means Committee

**Subject: River Lake Greenway (40th Street Greenway)
Kingfield Neighborhood – Lyndale Ave S. to Stevens Ave S.**

Recommendation

Appropriate \$270,000 NRP funding to account #4100/943/9440 Project #B6610. Authorize construction of the River Lake Greenway (40th Street Greenway) from Lyndale Avenue South to Stevens Avenue South.

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by: _____
Greg Finstad, P.E. Director of Transportation and Parking Services

Presenters in Committee: Donald Pflaum

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (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:

The River Lake Greenway (40th Street Greenway) is a multi-neighborhood driven initiative to slow traffic on 40th Street South, to provide bicycle facilities, and to provide more green space in the corridor. Each neighborhood along the 40th Street corridor is working with Public Works on how to achieve these goals without negatively impacting its residents. Due to constraints such as loss of parking and varied street widths, each neighborhood is looking at unique ways to achieve the aforementioned goals. After years of debate and numerous studies, the Kingfield Neighborhood has decided to pursue traffic calming and bike lanes as part of a \$270,000 NRP project.

40th Street is an MSA route. RLK Kuusisto has prepared construction plan sheets and these sheets have been sent to MNDOT for review. No MSA funding will be expended on this project. The project consists of two 12 foot drive lanes, a 5-6 foot bike lanes on each side of the roadway, and 8 feet of parking on the north side. Along the north side of the roadway there are traffic calming throats proposed at the intersections of 40th Street South and Garfield Avenue South, Harriet Avenue South, Pleasant Avenue South, Pillsbury Avenue South, Blaisdell Avenue South, Nicollet Avenue South, 1st Avenue South, and Stevens Avenue South. Truck movements at each of these intersections have been examined and found to be acceptable. The plans have been reviewed by all appropriate divisions within Public Works and those comments have been incorporated into the final design. It is important to note that the centerline of the roadway will no longer be at the crest of the 40th Street pavement. Public Works staff have evaluated this and concluded that there is no safety or maintenance issues with reconfiguring the striping of the roadway.

NRP Project Scope of Services and Budget

Kingfield Neighborhood River Lake Greenway (40th Street Greenway)

The City of Minneapolis, through its Department of Public Works, shall work with the Kingfield Neighborhood Association (KFNA) to construct the 40th Street Greenway in accordance with the final plans and specifications to be developed under contract C00-15833, as amended, and dated January 23, 2001. The scope of services to be provided by DPW, upon the approval of the designated representatives of KFNA, under this contract shall be:

- *Management of competitive bid process, if required, consistent with official City bid policies and procedures;
- *Award of construction contracts, if required, consistent with official City contract award policies;
- *Construction of the 40th Street Greenway in accordance with the final plans and specifications to be developed under contract C00-15833, as amended;
- *Project supervision and oversight of project observation and inspection activities and final quantities documentation, whether construction is performed by City crews or private contractor; and

*Management of all project-related contracts, including review of billings and disbursements of project funds related to such billings.

The total costs attributed to NRP for this activity shall not exceed \$270,000. It is agreed by the City that final plans and specifications will be approved by the KFNA President, before construction. It is agreed by the City that no NRP funds will be used for construction not specified in the final plans and specifications, without written approval of the KFNA President, or a representative authorized by him, in writing.

Staff Recommendation:

Proceed with River Lake Greenway (40th Street Greenway) construction as prescribed in the contract scope of services. Appropriate \$270,000 of NRP to the aforementioned Public Works account so that construction can proceed in September 2002.