



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

Date: April 19, 2005
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Referral to: Ways and Means Committee and Board of Estimate and Taxation
Subject: **Substitution of Bond Funding to the Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies Project from the Flood Area 29/30 Project**

Recommendation:

1. Close out capital project for Flood Area 29 & 30 – 51st & Zenith Ave. S. (7300-932-9322/FLA29), by closing the remaining appropriation of \$438,000.
2. Amend Bond Request Resolution 2003R-616 (December 15, 2003), to substitute the remaining balance of \$438,000 from Flood Area 29 & 30 - 51st & Zenith Ave. S. (SW018) to Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies (SW030).
3. Amend Capital Project Resolution 2004R-580 (December 13, 2004) to increase Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies Project (7300-932-9322/SW030) by \$438,000.

Previous Directives:

- Council Resolution 2003R-612 (December 15, 2003) adopting the 2004-2008 Five Year Capital Program. Flood Area 29 & 30 (SW018) is included in this resolution for the amount of \$609,000 for 2004. The 2004 – 2008 Five Year Capital Program also included \$1,480,000 in 2005 and \$1,525,000 in 2006 for the project.
- Council Resolution 2003R-616 (December 15, 2003) requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to issue and sell City of Minneapolis bonds for flood mitigation, sewer, storm drain/tunnel and other projects, including \$609,000 for SW018.
- Council Resolution 2004R-580 (December 13, 2004) adopting the 2005-2009 Five Year Capital Program. SW018 is not listed in the 2005 – 2009 Five Year Capital Program.

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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):

Background/Supporting Information:

As part of the 1997 Flood Report, Flood Area 29/30 was identified as one of the flood areas that needed to be resolved. As a result, in December 1998 the City Council requested that the Board of Estimate and Taxation issue and sell City of Minneapolis bonds in the amount of \$2,000,000 for this project for a pump station to Minnehaha Creek. On June 8, 2001, due to the project not being able to be built as originally envisioned, Council Resolution 2001R-238 decreased the funds for this project and directed them to the Flood Area 16 project. To fund \$110,000 engineering costs that had already been incurred associated with the 1999 appropriation, the City Council amended the 2001 Capital Program by \$110,000 from Sewer Revenue funds.

Flood Area 29/30 was re-studied and on December 15, 2003, the City Council approved the 2004-2008 Capital Program including \$609,000 in 2004, \$1,480,000 in 2005, and \$1,525,000 in 2006 for the new Flood Area 29/30 project (SW018). Associated with the 2004 appropriation are engineering costs incurred to date of \$171,000.

During the 2005 budget process, CLIC did not recommend the continuation of the Flood Area 29/30 project. The City Council concurred with this and did not include Flood Area 29/30 in the 2005 – 2009 Capital Program. The Mayor and Council have redirected the flood program to incorporate alternative stormwater management strategies. In December 2004 the City Council allocated \$500,000 for the investigation, evaluation and implementation of various small-scale Green Initiatives through the Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies project (SW030) throughout the City of Minneapolis.

Public Works is requesting to align unspent funds from previous appropriations to this new direction. Of the \$609,000 bonds to be sold in 2005, the Flood Area 29/30 leaves an unspent amount of \$438,000. This proposed Council action is to substitute the Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies project (SW030) for the unspent \$438,000, for a new total in the SW030 project of \$938,000. Attached is a list of potential 2005 projects in priority order.

Att.: Alternative Stormwater Management Strategies Green Initiative Projects Summary