



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Fire Department

Date: April 27, 2005

To: Dan Niziolek, Chair, Public Safety and Regulatory Services

Referral to: Barbara Johnson, Chair, Ways and Means/Budget Committee and
Paul Ostrow, Chair, City Council

**Subject: Fire Department Request for Proposals to Provide Collapse Rescue
Training Programs for the City of Minneapolis Fire Department.**

**Recommendation: Approve and authorize the Fire Department to move forward
with a Request for Proposals for Structural Collapse Rescue Training Programs for
the City of Minneapolis Fire Department, pending the review and approval of the
Permanent Review Committee (PRC).**

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Approved by: Bonnie Bleskachek, Fire Chief _____

[Permanent Review Committee](#) Approval (**pending approval**) Not Applicable _____

Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval _____ Date of Approval _____ Not Applicable _____

Note: The Policy Review Group is a committee co-chaired by the City Clerk and the City Coordinator that must review all requests related to establishing or changing enterprise policies.

Presenters in Committee: Ulysses Seal, Assistant Fire Chief

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:

The State of Minnesota Public Safety Division Homeland Security and Emergency Management developed a structural collapse rescue response program to provide emergency response capability on a regional basis in the State. This is an identified weakness for the State as part of the comprehensive threat assessment. A heavy collapse rescue team has been formed in the Minneapolis/St. Paul Twin Cities metro area. The teams equipment will be based and will operate out of the Minneapolis Fire Department with contribution and participation from many other fire departments in the area.