



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Office of the Mayor

Date: December 8, 2008
To: Ways and Means/Budget Committee
Referral to: None

Subject: Designation of 35W cash donations for victim memorial

Recommendation: Donate \$8,624 to the 35W Remembrance Garden Fund at the Minneapolis Foundation

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by: Steven Bosacker, City Coordinator _____
Mayor RT Rybak _____
Presenters in Committee: Erica Prosser, Mayor's office

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ___ Date _____
- Civil Rights Approval Approval ___ Date _____
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ___ Date _____

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the ___ Capital Budget or ___ Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Action is within the Business Plan
- Action requires a change to the Business Plan
- Other financial impact
- Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

Supporting Information

After the 35W bridge collapse August 1, 2007, many individuals and businesses made monetary donations to the City of Minneapolis. Donations designated to the City's police and fire departments totaled \$4,248. Donations designated for a victims memorial together with donations that were not designated for a specific purpose totaled \$8,624. The undesignated donations are currently in the City's general fund. This action requests that Council approve transfer of these dollars into the fund for the 35W Remembrance Garden Fund at the Minneapolis Foundation.

The 35W Remembrance Garden Fund has been established at The Minneapolis Foundation to receive contributions in support of the design, construction and maintenance of a memorial that will remember the thirteen individuals who died, the survivors and all those changed by the tragedy of the Interstate 35W bridge collapse on August 1, 2007.

The 35W Remembrance Garden will be located at Gold Medal Park and has been designed by Tom Oslund in consultation with the survivors and the families of those who died in the collapse.