



## **Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development**

**Date:** October 1, 2010  
**To:** Gary Schiff, Chair, Zoning and Planning Committee  
**Referral to:** Betsy Hodges, Chair, Ways and Means/Budget Committee  
**Subject:** **Accept Grant From the Saint Paul Foundation/Central Corridor Funders Collaborative and Appropriate Funds**

### **Recommendation:**

1. Authorize City officers to accept Saint Paul Foundation/Central Corridor Funders Collaborative grant funds in the amount of \$60,000 to be used for the Stadium Village Station LRT Station Area Plan.
2. Amend the 2010 General Appropriation Resolution by increasing the Community Planning and Economic Development agency local grant fund (01600-8900420) by \$60,000.
3. Increase the 2010 Revenue Budget for the Community Planning and Economic Development agency local grant fund (01600-8900420-322502) by \$60,000.
4. Authorize the appropriate City staff to execute grant, subrecipient and/or disbursement and related agreements for these grants.

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**Approved by:** Barbara Sporlein, Planning Director 

**Presenter in Committee:** Halla Maze, Principal Planner

**Financial Impact**

X  Action requires an appropriation increase to the \_\_\_ Capital Budget or  X  Operating Budget

X  Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

X  Action is within the Business Plan

**Community Impact**

- Neighborhood Notification: The neighborhood has been notified of the grant request and award and will be actively involved in all aspects of the planning process funded by the grant for the Stadium Village area.
- City Goals: Implements and is consistent with all City Goals, including A Safe Place to Call Home; Jobs & Economic Vitality; Livable Communities, Healthy Lives; Many People, One Minneapolis; Eco-Focused; and A City That Works
- Comprehensive Plan: The funded study will provide policy guidance and recommendations for land use, transportation, environment, and other issues in the Stadium Village area, consistent with the adopted framework in *The Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth*, the city's comprehensive plan. The goal will to be produce a plan that can be amended into the comprehensive plan.

**Supporting Information**

The City of Minneapolis applied for and was awarded a \$60,000 grant from the Saint Paul Foundation, working as a fiscal agent for the Central Corridor Funders Collaborative, in September 2010. The funds were awarded under the Central Corridor Funders Collaborative's Catalyst Fund. This grant was provided to fund the development of a Stadium Village LRT Station Area Plan. This is the last station area along the Central Corridor LRT line not to be included in a small area planning effort, so it was prioritized and funding was sought with the goal of completing that task. In addition, a parking study which will identify and mitigate the parking impacts of the Central Corridor LRT project between the University and St Paul is included in the scope.

This study is being undertaken as a partnership effort between the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and the University of Minnesota. The County has allocated \$25,000 to the study effort, which will be managed by the County under a separate contract. The University, working through the University District Alliance, likewise has allocated and will manage \$25,000 for another supporting study element. For its part, the City through CPED Planning Division is contributing \$10,000. City, County, and University staff will work jointly on this project for its duration, with City staff as the lead. The grant funds will be used to cover the cost of hiring consultants to complete portions of the work.

The term of the grant runs through August 31, 2011.

## **Amending the 2010 General Appropriation Resolution**

Resolved by The City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the above-entitled resolution, as amended, be further amended by:

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