

To: Chair Hodges and Committee Members
Fr: IGR Staff
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Re: Comparison of Federal Agenda Drafts of February 12 to February 26

Issue	2/12	2/26
Planetarium	Request for \$4.0 million	The library merger legislation also transferred the Minnesota capital bonding grant of \$22.0 million obtained in 2005 by the city to the county. Therefore it is recommended that the request not be continued.
Combined Sewer Overflow	Request for \$1.25 million	The amount requested is the same. The section identifies that the requested funds would be used for improvements in the downtown area.
Empowerment Zone	An unspecified request was indicated.	The empowerment zone is one of fifteen zones located in cities throughout the country. In 2007 the zone administrators worked cooperatively to secure funding for the program. The effort did not achieve the proposed funding level. The city, however, did receive \$300,000. It is proposed to continue the city program and possibly request funds for 2010.
Parkway Lighting	\$2.0 million was requested	There is no change to this request
Public Safety Technology	The section was a placeholder for the MPD. In 2007 the city received funding for the gunshot detection system.	The section requests a total of \$1.0 million for police technology equipment. The proposed items – squad car cameras and mobile data computers (MDC) are included in the MPD's technology plan as priority items 2 and 3. The top priority items(1 a to 1 d) are being implemented. The request is for \$500,000 each for the cameras and the MDC.
Emergency Operation Center (EOC)	The request is for \$6.0 million to build the EOC	The request has been moved to the program/grant section that follows the appropriations request section. The EOC request is for construction but current programs do not support construction costs. The 2008 federal

		appropriations bill, however, set aside \$15.0 million in Federal Emergency Management Administration grants to build EOCs. At this time the FEMA grant process has not been announced. The city's emergency management department has received a federal grant and has applications pending with other federal agencies.
Traffic Management Center/Intelligent Transportation System	The request was for \$6.0 million	The request will be considered in drafting the city's request for the transportation reauthorization bill.
Pedestrian Bridge Across Hiawatha	The request was for \$500,000	There is no change to the project
Upper Mississippi River	The request is for \$4.0 million	There is no change to the project
Regional Water System Interconnect	The request is for \$15. 0 million	The request has been deleted. At this time the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has not been able to have the request included in the Governor's capital budget. Therefore, a portion of the local match is not available.
Mid South Mississippi Storm Water Tunnel	The request is for \$20.0 million	The request has been deleted and could be considered for inclusion in the city's request for the transportation reauthorization bill.
Employment and Training Services for Ex-Offenders	The request was not included in the draft.	The request is for \$750,000 to establish a training program for person reentering society. The program would be administered by the city's workforce staff.
Youth Violence Prevention	The request was not included in the draft.	The request is for \$350,000 to expand the Youth Coordinating Board bus circulator and \$500,000 for community grants to assist youth to avoid continued criminal activity.

The Program/Grant section includes the addition of the EOC. The Policy Initiative section includes a new policy regarding Air Traffic Safety.