

## **Request for City Council Committee Action**

Date: June 16, 2009

To: Community Development Committee  
Referral to: Ways & Means / Budget Committee

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Approved by: Robert D. Miller, Director \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject: Kenwood Isles Neighborhood Phase II Plan Modification #1**

**Summary of the Request:** Approve the first modification of the Kenwood Isles Neighborhood NRP Phase II Action Plan by adding a new housing strategy and increasing the plan allocation by \$14,400.

### **Recommendation:**

- 1) Approve the Kenwood Isles NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan (Plan) Modification #1 creating a new housing strategy; and,
- 2) Approve an increase of the Plan's allocation by \$14,400 for a revised total allocation of \$100,000; and,
- 3) Amend the 2009 General Appropriation Resolution by increasing the Community Planning & Economic Development Department (CPED) agency Fund 01CNR (CNR0-8900800) appropriation by \$20,000; and,
- 4) Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the Plan.

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The Honorable Lisa Goodman, Chair  
Community Development Committee  
Minneapolis City Council  
315 City Hall  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415

The Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair  
Ways and Means Committee  
Minneapolis City Council  
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**Re: Kenwood Isles Neighborhood Phase II Plan Modification #1**

Dear Chairpersons Goodman and Ostrow:

At its meeting on May 18, 2009 the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board approved a modification of the Kenwood Isles Neighborhood NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan.

The Policy Board adopted the Kenwood Isles Neighborhood (KIAA) NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan on May 21, 2007. The Plan was adopted by the City Council on June 29, 2007.

During the final weeks before adoption of the Plan by the Policy Board in 2007, a footnote to the Phase II allocations adopted on April 19, 2004 was brought to the neighborhood's attention. This footnote indicated that no neighborhood should receive a Phase II allocation of less than \$100,000. The neighborhood decided, because of pending projects and the issues around Phase II funding in the spring of 2007, to proceed with their plan as the neighborhood adopted it at an allocation of \$85,600 and reserve the right to come back to the Policy Board at a later date to request the additional \$14,400 in Phase II funds. This request was approved by the Policy Board in the resolution adopted on May 21, 2007. (NRP / FR#2007-11)

KIAA now would like to be part of an environmental improvement project at Kenwood School by providing matching funds from the neighborhood. In order to do this, KIAA will need some of the additional dollars reserved for the Kenwood Isles neighborhood.

Our Plan Modification policy is the avenue by which a neighborhood can request additional funds. KIAA, in their plan modification request, has asked for these funds by increasing their Neighborhood Livability section by \$4,400 and by creating an additional strategy in their Housing Section, for a fund to support non-profit housing projects in other Minneapolis neighborhoods. They are reserving \$10,000 in this fund to help them meet our Phase II housing requirements.

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On May 18, 2009 the Policy Board passed the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board, (Board) hereby adopts the Kenwood Isles Neighborhood (KIAA) Phase II NRP Neighborhood Action Plan Modification #1 by; 1) increasing the Neighborhood Livability Strategy (Part B, 1.1.1) by \$4,400 for a new total of \$30,000 and 2) creating a new housing strategy to “Establish a fund for effective non-profit housing projects in other Minneapolis neighborhoods” with an allocation of \$10,000 for this strategy. This increases the overall Plan allocation from \$85,600 to the \$100,000 approved by the Policy Board on April 19, 2004; and,

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor [a] approve the KIAA Phase II NRP Neighborhood Action Plan Modification #1 increasing the neighborhood’s total Plan allocation by \$14,400 for a revised total allocation of \$100,000; [b] amend the 2009 General Appropriation Resolution by increasing the Community Planning & Economic Development Department (CPED) agency Fund 01CNR (CNR0-8900800) appropriation by \$20,000; and [c] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the Plan.

Pursuant to this resolution, I make the following recommendations for consideration by your committees:

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Sincerely,

Robert D. Miller,  
Director