

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

Date: November 7, 2006

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

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

**Subject: Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan**

**Summary of the Request:** The Windom Neighborhood has completed their NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan. It has been reviewed by NRP's legal counsel and city staff, staff of participating jurisdictions and adopted by the NRP Policy Board. The plan requests a total NRP appropriation of \$291,018. Of that amount, \$18,695 has been advanced to the plan from the NRP Phase II Plan Development Fund. City Council action is now being requested for final approval of the Neighborhood Action Plan and the appropriation of the balance of these funds (\$272,323).

### **Recommendation:**

- (1) Approve the Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan ("Plan") attached to this report, specifically those parts of the Plan which fall under City jurisdiction, in an amount not to exceed \$291,018;
- (2) Amend the City of Minneapolis 2006 General Appropriation Resolution by increasing the Community Planning & Economic Development Department (CPED) agency Fund CNR—NRP Program Fund (CNR0-890-3550) appropriation by \$92,509;
- (3) Refer \$46,254 to the 2007 budget and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$133,560 for Plan implementation in a reserve account within Fund CNR0 for future years expenditures on the approved Plan provided that no more than 70% of the amount approved for the Plan (\$185,018) shall be obligated in the first three (3) years after approval of the Plan;
- (4) Authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements needed to implement this request.

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The Honorable Lisa Goodman, Chair  
Community Development Committee  
Minneapolis City Council  
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The Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair  
Ways and Means Committee  
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**Re: Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan**

Dear Chairpersons Goodman and Ostrow:

At its meeting on October 23, 2006 the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board approved and authorized funding for the Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan. The plan requests a total NRP appropriation of \$291,018.

The neighborhood began work on its Phase II Plan in the fall of 2005. On June 6, 2006, City and other jurisdictional partners were invited to meet with the Steering Committee to provide information about plans and projects affecting the neighborhood. Using data gathered and lessons learned from the successful implementation of their NRP Phase I Neighborhood Action Plan, the Steering Committee conducted surveys and workshop meetings to obtain information for developing the plan.

The strategies developed by the Steering Committee respond to the identified needs and concerns of the neighborhood. On August 29, 2006, the final draft plan was presented to the WCC Board for their review and approval. The draft plan was distributed by email to departmental and jurisdictional partners, as well as to the surrounding businesses and adjacent neighborhoods. The comments received are attached to the Phase II Action Plan. The required legal review found that all strategies within the plan are qualifying expenditures under the NRP law. The neighborhood voted its approval of the Plan at the Windom Community Council Annual Meeting held on October 12, 2006

On October 23, 2006 the Policy Board passed the following resolution:

**WHEREAS:** On April 19, 2004, the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board ("Board") approved a Phase II allocation for the Windom neighborhood of \$291,018 based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP; and

**WHEREAS:** The Windom neighborhood conducted an extensive and inclusive Phase II neighborhood action plan development process; and

**WHEREAS:** The Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan requests a Phase II allocation at their guideline of \$291,018 and dedicates 70% of that allocation to housing programs, projects, services and activities.

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board ("Board") hereby accepts and adopts the Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan dated October 12, 2006; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor [a] approve the Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan, and specifically those parts of the Plan that fall under City jurisdiction, for their Phase II allocation of up to \$291,018, which includes an Early Access request of \$18,695 from the Phase II Plan Development Fund; [b] amend the 2006 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) by \$92,509 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] refer \$46,254 to the 2007 budget and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$133,560 for Plan implementation in a reserve account within Fund CNR0 for future years expenditures on the approved Plan provided that no more than 70% of the amount approved for the Plan (\$185,018) shall be obligated in the first three (3) years after approval of the Plan; and [d] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

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

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Sincerely,

Robert D. Miller  
Director