



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Inspections

Date: September 24, 2004  
To: Health and Human Services  
Referral: Ways and Means Committee

**Subject: Requesting authorization of the appropriate city officials to enter into an agreement with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to accept funds awarded to reduce lead hazards in housing**

### **Recommendation:**

That your Committee authorize the proper city officials to enter into an agreement with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development accepting \$3,000,000 in funding to be used for lead hazard reduction in dwelling units within the city; further, that these funds be appropriated to grants fund 0300-835-8393; further that the appropriation in fund 0300-835-8393-5130 be increased by \$3,000,000.00; further that revenue source 0300-835-8393-3210 be increased by \$3,000,000.00.

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Presenter in committee: Brian Olson

### **Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain): Request is covered by grant funds.
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Background/Supporting Information**

The City of Minneapolis was informed by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development on September 24 that it had been awarded \$3,000,000.00 in grant funds for lead hazard reduction as requested in an application submitted in July, 2004. The grant request targets the East Phillips neighborhood for most of the activities, which include removal of lead hazards from dwellings and remediation of lead in soil. The project will remove lead hazards from 20-40% of the dwelling units in the neighborhood and act as a catalyst for further rehabilitation of the area. Project activities will be performed concurrently with cleanup activities of the US Environmental Protection Agency in the East Philips Neighborhood to remove arsenic contamination from yard soil. HUD is moving quickly on activities and desires to conclude an initial agreement commencing activities on October 1 of this year.