



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

Date: August 23, 2011

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee

Referral to: Council Member Betsy Hodges, Ways & Means/Budget Committee

**Subject: Acceptance of Northeast Metro funds for the purpose of providing training for STEP-UP participants.**

**Recommendation:** That the proper city officials be authorized to enter into an agreement with Northeast Metropolitan School District No. 916 for the purpose of providing training for City of Minneapolis STEP-UP Program participants.

**Previous Directives: None.**

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Cathy Polasky, Director Economic Policy & Development \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval \_\_\_ Date N/A
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval \_\_\_ Date N/A

### Financial Impact

- No financial impact

### Community Impact

- City Goals – One Minneapolis
- Living Wage/Business Subsidy Agreement Yes \_\_\_ No X

### Supporting Information

METP contracts with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) to provide classroom training for STEP-UP participants. Northeast Metro School District #916 accredits the work experience offered through STEP-UP combined with the classroom training provided by MPRB. Youth earn academic credits through this partnership and Northeast Metro reimburses the City of Minneapolis at an agreed upon rate for each credit earned. STEP-UP interns benefit from this relationship by earning academic credits that help them attain the credits they need to graduate.