Request for City Council Committee Action from the City Attorney's Office

Date: January 11, 2011

To: Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Referral to:

Subject: Waiver of Conflict of Interest for IGR government affairs contract with the law firm of Fredrikson & Byron.

Recommendation: That the City Council waive any conflict of interest between the City of Minneapolis and the law firm of Fredrikson & Byron so that the IGR Department can retain Kevin Goodno of the Fredrikson firm to provide government affairs services on behalf of the City.

Previous Directives:

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Presenters in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

Financial Impact
- No financial impact

Community Impact
- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goal(s)

Supporting Information

The Fredrikson & Byron firm has requested the City to waive any conflicts of interest concerning its representation of clients in the following matters:

Client	Type of Matter
West Bank School of Music	Contract Matter
Northside Economic Opportunity Network	Contract Matter
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center	Lease of Acquisition Matter
Honeywell, Inc.	Real Estate Tax Dispute
Macy's Retail Holdings	Real Estate Tax Disputes
Lora & Kit Friedemann	Real Estate Tax Dispute
J & C Peterson, LLC	Real Estate Tax Dispute
Billiard Supply Inc.	Real Estate Tax Dispute
Mintahoe, Inc.	Real Estate Tax Dispute
RECC Minneapolis, LLC	Real Estate Tax Dispute

The above matters do not pose an actual conflict with respect to the proposed government affairs work by Kevin Goodno and a waiver will not harm the City's interests.