



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development - CPED

Date: January 30, 2007

To: Sandy Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation and Public Works and
Lisa Goodman, Chair Community Development Committee

Referral to: Paul Ostrow, Chair Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant
acceptance, appropriation and local match commitment

Recommendation:

- 1) Accept and appropriate a Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant.
- 2) Amend the 2007 General Appropriation by increasing the Community Planning and Economic Development agency Fund 0600 – State Grant and Loan Program (0600-890-8933) by \$1,000,000.
- 3) Increase the 2007 Revenue Budget for the Community Planning and Economic Development agency Fund 0600 – State Grant and Loan Programs (0600-890-3215) by \$1,000,000.
- 4) Approve the attached resolution authorizing appropriate City staff to execute an agreement to implement the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant.

Previous Directives:

On June 22, 2001, September 23, 2003, and September 23, 2005, the City Council included State bonds for the SEMI/University Research Park (URP) in its request to the Legislature. On December 13, 2004, the City Council adopted Resolution 2004R-580 Five Year Capital Program, and on December 19, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution 2005R-586 Five Year Capital Program. These Five Year Capital Program resolutions identify local funds (net debt bonds, assessment bonds and Municipal State-Aid) for infrastructure work in the SEMI/University Research Park area in sufficient amount to provide the local match required for the subject grant. On June 30, 2006, the City Council authorized application to the Metropolitan Council

for a Livable Communities Demonstration Account grant for infrastructure funds for the SEMI/URP area and on November 17, 2006, the City Council authorized an application to the DEED Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program for the SEMI/University Research Park area.

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Financial Impact

- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Fund 0600 Operating Budget.
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.
- Action is within the Business Plan.

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: The South East Economic Development (SEED) Committee endorsed making application for the grant at its June 26, 2006, meeting.
- City Goals: A Premier Destination. Retain and Grow Businesses in Life Sciences and the Creative Economy.
- Sustainability Targets: Provide additional bicycle lanes and paths, increase opportunities for workers to earn a livable wage.
- Comprehensive Plan: The infrastructure to be constructed in part with the requested grant is consistent with the recently approved SEMI/URP amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.
- Zoning Code: Consistent
- Living Wage/Business Subsidy Agreement: Not Applicable
- Job Linkage: Not Applicable

Supporting Information

On December 15, 2006, the City was awarded a \$1,000,000.00 Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED). The grant requires City commitment to provide a local match for the grant. The attached resolution the commits the City to providing the required matching funds. Those funds have already been appropriated in the Five Year Capital Resolutions adopted by the City Council on December 13, 2004, (Resolution 2004R-580 Five Year Capital Program), and on December 19, 2005, (Resolution 2005R-586 Five Year Capital Program). The matching fund sources are Net Debt Bonds, Assessment Bonds, and Municipal State-Aid.

The grant will be administered by CPED. Public Works will be responsible for the design, construction and other costs associated with the project. Public Works will make payment requests for grant-eligible expenses through CPED.

The grant will be used to reconstruct Malcolm Avenue and to construct an extension of 25th Avenue SE. These projects will provide access to an area of the SEMI/URP area that is planned for private sector research related activities. These will complement the research park proposed by the University that lies immediately to the west. In addition, 25th Avenue as extended and Malcolm Avenue as reconstructed will intersect with the planned Granary Road. When completed, Granary Road will tie the private and University research parks together and provide efficient access to Interstate 94, State Highway 280 and Interstate 35W and 35E. It will also serve to relieve pressure on University Avenue during construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail project. This roadway system is depicted on the attached map.

Exhibits

- 1) Resolution
- 2) Infrastructure map

Authorizing acceptance of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis intends to act as the legal sponsor for the Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant for the SEMI University Research Park area for which an application was authorized on November 17, 2006 and for which notification of a grant award was made by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) on December 15, 2006: and

Whereas, the City has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate project administration; and

Whereas, the sources and amounts of the local match identified in the application is committed to the identified project; and

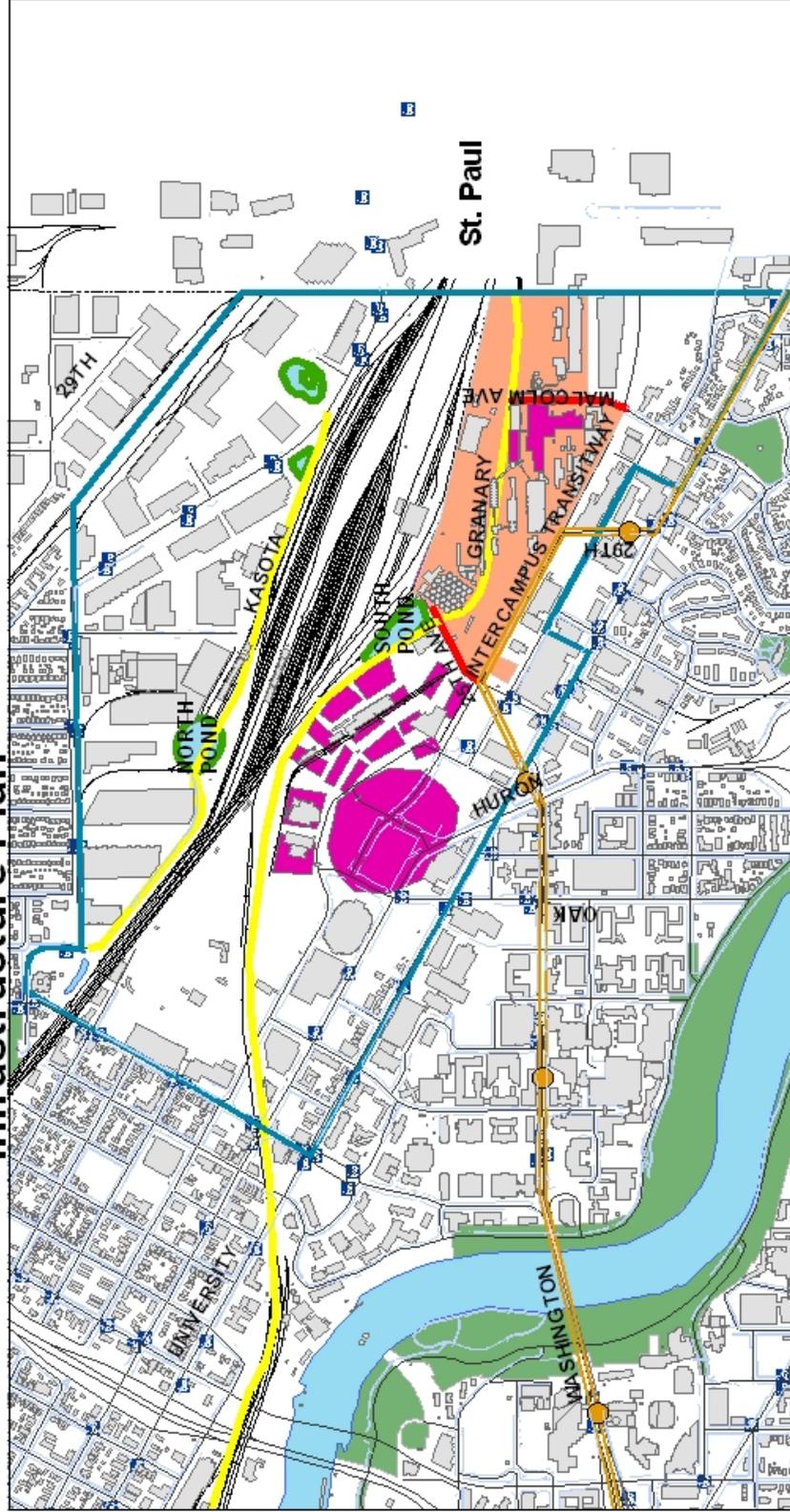
Whereas, the City has not violated any federal, state or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice; and

Whereas, the City may enter into an agreement with the DEED for the above-referenced project and will comply with all applicable laws and regulations stated in such agreement;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By The City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Council authorizes the Director of the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development or other appropriate staff to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project.

SEMI/URP Bioscience Zone Infrastructure Plan



Legend

- SEMI/University Research Park
- Bioscience Infrastructure
- Grant 2007 Construction
- Proposed Infrastructure 2008 & Beyond
- Granary East Phase 1 Development Area
- Existing Buildings
- Proposed Buildings
- Proposed Storm Water
- Railroad
- Parks and Public Open Space
- Water
- Metro Transit Bus Stops
- Central Corridor Stations
- Central Corridor LRT line
- Sidewalks
- Streets

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City of Minneapolis GIS, December, 2006