

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

**Date:** March 10, 2009

**To:** Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Committee

**Referral to:** Council Member Paul Ostrow, Ways & Means/Budget Committee

**Subject:** **Accept and Appropriate \$3,500,000 Bioscience Business Development Grant Awarded by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program**

**Recommendation:**

- 1) Accept a \$3,500,000 Bioscience Business Development Grant awarded by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program for the SEMI/University Research Park.
- 2) Amend the 2009 General Appropriation Resolution by increasing the Community Planning & Economic Development agency Fund 01600-Other Grants-State and Local (01600-8900320) by \$3,500,000.
- 3) Increase the 2009 Revenue Budget for the Community Planning & Economic Development agency Fund 01600-Other Grants-State and Local (01600-8900900-321504) by \$3,500,000.
- 4) Authorize the appropriate City staff to execute grant, subrecipient and/or disbursement and related agreements for this grant.

**Previous Directives:**

- On December 21, 2007, the City Council endorsed the City's agenda for the 2008 Legislative Session. The agenda included a funding request of \$6.85 million for infrastructure in the Southeast Minneapolis Industrial Area University Research Park (SEMI/URP).

**Department Information**

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**Reviews**

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval n/a Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Civil Rights Approval Approval n/a Date \_\_\_\_\_
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval n/a Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Financial Impact**

- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget  
Dept Name: Community Planning & Economic Development  
Fund Name: Fund 01600 Other Grants – State & Local  
Amount: \$3,500,000
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase  
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- Action is within the Business Plan

### **Community Impact**

- Neighborhood Notification: The South East Economic Development Committee has approved the SEMI Revised Master Plan that includes the infrastructure for which these grant funds were awarded.
- City Goals: A Premier Destination: Retain and grow businesses in life sciences and the creative economy. Connected Communities: Integrated multimodal transportation choices.
- Sustainability Targets: Provide additional bicycle routes; increase opportunities for workers to earn a livable wage.
- Comprehensive Plan: The infrastructure to be constructed with the grant funds is consistent with the approved SEMI/URP amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.
- Zoning Code: Consistent.

### **Background/Supporting Information**

The 2008 Legislative Agenda for the City of Minneapolis included a request for infrastructure funding in the Southeast Minneapolis Industrial Area University Research Park (SEMI/URP). The City was successful in its efforts, and on April 7, 2008, Governor Pawlenty signed Chapter 179 into law. Through the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Bioscience Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Program, SEMI/URP will receive \$3,500,000 "...for public infrastructure, including land acquisition, to support a private research park within a designated bioscience zone that is adjacent to and complementary to research facilities of a college or university". The grant is funded from an allocation of State Bonds.

Redevelopment Grants require a 50% local match. Tax increment and other local sources will provide the required match for this grant. The first proposed use of the grant funds will be for acquisition of parcels needed to construct Granary Road.

**Amending the 2009 Appropriation Resolution.**

Resolved by The City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the above-entitled resolution, as amended, be further amended by:

- 1) Increasing the appropriation for Community Planning & Economic Development agency Fund 01600-Other Grants-State and Local (01600-8900320) by \$3,500,000.
- 2) Increasing the revenue source for Community Planning & Economic Development agency Fund 01600-Other Grants-State and Local (01600-8900900-321504) by \$3,500,000.