



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

Date: March 30, 2009

To: HEALTH, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A FOUR YEAR GRANT FROM THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION TO PREVENT CHILDHOOD OBESITY IN DIVERSE MINNEAPOLIS POPULATIONS

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to apply for a four year grant of \$360,000 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities initiative for a project period of December 15, 2009 through December 14, 2013 to prevent childhood obesity in diverse Minneapolis populations.

Previous Directives:

None

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Other financial impact (Explain): The City of Minneapolis would receive funding of \$360,000.

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department of Health and Family Support requests authorization to apply for a four year, \$360,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthy Kids Healthy Communities initiative to prevent childhood obesity in Minneapolis by establishing policies and improving food environments in Minneapolis neighborhoods and schools that improve children's nutrition and increase physical activity. The project will be conducted with other City, governmental, and community partners. Approval for City in-kind resources is also requested to meet the first year's required match of 50% of the proposed first year's grant award of \$90,000, or \$45,000. Contributions from project partners would also help meet the in-kind match. The match has been secured for year one of this grant.

