



## **Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works**

**Date:** March 31, 2009

**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Referral to:** Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair Ways & Means/Budget Committee

**Subject:** **2009 Amendments to Grant Agreements with MnDOT and Transit for Livable Communities (TLC) Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Project (NTP)**

### **Recommendation:**

- a) Authorize City Officers to execute Amendment #2 to MnDOT Agreement No. 89757 between the State of Minnesota and the City of Minneapolis (City Agreement 23888) to provide up to \$5,636,000 in Federal grant funding for the Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Project.
- b) Authorize City Officers to execute Amendment #3 to the City Agreement (C-23887) with Transit for Livable Communities (TLC) to perform specific work efforts as outlined in and in accordance with MnDOT Agreement No. 89757 that provides up to \$5,636,000 in Federal grant funding in effect for anticipated expenses through December 31, 2010.
- c) Passage of the accompanying resolution increasing the Public Works – Transportation Agency appropriation in the Grants – Federal Fund (01300 9010943) from \$2,474,892 to \$5,636,000 and the revenue source (01300 9010943 – Source 321050) from \$2,474,892 to \$5,636,000.

### **Previous Directives:**

- August 4, 2006 City Council authorized original grant agreements and appropriations
- April 18, 2006 TPW Receive & File – Project Status Update
- January 26, 2007 City Council authorized Amendment #1 to grant agreements
- February 1, 2008 City Council authorized Amendment #2 to grant agreement between the City and Transit for Livable Communities (TLC)

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### **Approved by:**

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Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenter:** Jon Wertjes

**Reviews**

Permanent Review Committee (PRC)	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG)	Approval	NA	Date

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan:  Action is within the plan.  Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department’s Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Community Impact**

- Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable
- City Goals: A Safe Place To Call Home
- Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable
- Zoning Code: Not Applicable

**Background/Supporting Information**

The Non-motorized Transportation Pilot Project (NTP) was authorized by the Federal Government on August 2005 as part of the SAFETEA-LU transportation bill. The Minneapolis area is one of four communities designated to serve as a pilot in determining “the extent to which bicycling and walking can carry a significant part of the transportation load, and represent a major portion of the transportation solution.” The other three pilot communities are Sheboygan, WI; Marin County, CA; and Columbia, MO. Only in Minnesota was an independent non-profit (TLC) designated to carry out the program.

The City entered into two agreements, one with MnDOT and the other with Transit for Livable Communities (TLC). The City of Minneapolis is the fiscal agent for federal grant funding to TLC. Because the program falls under the State Aid Process, the funds are first released by the FHWA to Mn/DOT. But since Mn/DOT cannot allocate funds to a non-taxing authority, TLC needs a fiscal agent to carry out their administrative duties/preliminary engineering.

These dollars are for administrative duties related to the NTP program. The current agreement expenditures and dates are limited to \$2,474,892 and December 31, 2008. To accommodate future TLC efforts, amendments are needed to the existing agreements for contract funding and date changes. The project costs will continue to be 100% grant funded and no match requirements.

By Colvin Roy

**Amending the 2007 Capital Improvement Appropriation Resolution (2007R-041)**

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the above-entitled resolution, as amended, be further amended by increasing the amount of federal grant funding for the Non-motorized Transportation Pilot Project from \$2,474,892 to \$5,636,000 as follows:

Increasing the PW-Transportation Capital Agency in the Grants – Federal Fund (01300 9010943) from \$2,474,892 to \$5,636,000 and increasing the revenue source (01300 9010943 - Source 321050) from \$2,474,892 to \$ \$5,636,000.