



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Office of the Coordinator - IGR - Grants & Special Projects**

Date: January 28, 2002

To: Community Development

Referral to: Ways and Means

Submitted by Michelene Wells, Planner 673-2588

Approved by Kathleen O'Brien, City Coordinator _____

Presenters in Committee: Chuck Lutz, Interim Executive Director, MCDA, Michelene Wells, Grants & Special Projects

Subject Livable Community Demonstration Account (LCDA) Grant and Supplementary Transit Funding (STF)

Recommendation:

1. Authorize appropriate City officials to accept the following Metropolitan Council 2001 Livable Community Development Account (LCDA) and Supplemental Transit Fund (STF) grants:

Project	Award	Grant Agreement #
Franklin Avenue LRT	288,750	SG-01-130
Franklin-Portland Gateway - Hope Community, CCHT, Franklin Ave. Dev.	500,000	SG-01-129
Hiawatha LRT Station Area Development Enhancements	247,500	SG-01-131
Near North Redevelopment (Heritage Park)	1,500,000	SG-00-129
Many Rivers Housing	200,000	SG-01-132
TOTAL	2,736,250	

2. Authorize appropriate City officials to execute or amend any necessary grant agreements to effect acceptance of grant awards according to specified terms and requirements in respective funding requirements, including becoming effective upon execution of the agreement and terminating December 31, 2004.
3. Increase appropriation for the Non-Departmental Agency by \$2,736,250 to receipt LCDA and STF grant awards (0600-123-1232-5130).
4. Increase appropriation in the Transfer agency by \$2,736,250 to transfer funds to MCDA for project implementation (0600-127-1270-3825).
5. Increase the MCDA 2002 Budget appropriation in Fund SMN by \$2,200,000
6. Increase the MCDA Revenue Budget in Fund SMN (3215-13 Other MN Grantor Agencies) by \$2,200,000.
7. Increase the MCDA 2002 Budget appropriation in Fund FGO by \$536,250.
8. Increase the MCDA Revenue Budget in Fund FGO (3210-14 Other Federal Grants) by \$536,250.
9. Authorize appropriate city officials to develop and execute appropriate legal agreements to implement projects with selected vendors.

Previous Directives June 22, 2001, August 10, 2001, December 28, 2001.

<p>Financial Impact (Check those that apply)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget. (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Action requires use of contingency or reserves</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other financial impact (Explain):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator</p>

Community Impact/Neighborhood Notification

City Goals: 1) Build Community, 2) Strengthen Markets and 3) Keep the City Clean and Healthy

Background/Supporting Information

Franklin Avenue LRT - Award: \$288,750 (STF) for infrastructure enhancements at transit oriented site includes mixed-use commercial development at NW corner of station platform, a structured parking deck in air rights and enhanced bus service to the LRT station area. 11.3 acre site. Development Timeline: Project infrastructure commencing early spring 2002.

Franklin-Portland Gateway - Award: \$500,000 to construct Children's Village Center and Hope Community Court. Located at the intersection of Franklin and Portland Avenues to create an estimated 100 affordable rental units, 17 units of homeownership housing and about 28,000 SF of commercial space. Development Timeline: complete zoning approval, construction documents, financing, December 2001; begin construction, March 2002. Complete construction, Nov. 2002. Rent-up and full occupancy, Feb. 2003.

Hiawatha LRT Station Area Development Enhancements - Award: \$247,500 (STF) for Lake Street LRT Station enhancements. Funds will be used for a multi-purpose transit plaza, the Downtown East LRT station block. Development Timeline: Ramp construction, Jan.-Apr. 2002. Plaza design, Jan-Feb 2002. Plaza construction, May-Sept. 2002. LRT construction, June-Oct. 2003.

Near Northside Redevelopment - Phase 2. - Award: \$1,500,000 to revitalize a distressed neighborhood and connect it to regional assets and amenities. Funds will be used for a greenway median to connect open spaces, and provide pedestrian crossing elements (1M). Design, site preparation and construction. N-S Blvd (500K) . The project is a mix of economic and housing types. The Development Timeline: Phase 1 area: site preparation, Jan.-Sept. 2002. Construction - park and open space improvements Apr. 2002-Sept. 2003. Construction - housing and site improvements, Mar. 2002-May 2004.

Many Rivers Apartments - Award: \$200,000 for construction of a child care facility. This project, located 1/4 mile from the Franklin LRT station, includes two building complexes with 14,825 SF of commercial space, 76 new apartment units, with 19 market rate rental units and remaining ones renting at rates affordable to households at 50-60% of median income. Underground parking, a secure children's playground area are also included. Development Timeline: Construct West building which includes day care facility Dec. 2001-Nov. 2002. Construct East building May 2002 - Feb. 2003.

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