

City Council Previous Directives

Community Engagement Report

Summary Background

City Council Resolution on Community Engagement – February 13, 2004

Authored by Ways and Means / Budget Committee Chair Johnson, resolution 2004R-063 directed “that the Communications Department assume the responsibility for coordinating the City’s community engagement activities and that the City Coordinator be directed to identify funds within the existing department budget to create a permanent, full-time position dedicated to coordinating the community engagement efforts,” and “that a ‘Communications/Community Engagement’ component be added to departmental business plans.” Purpose: to “strengthen City government management and enhance community engagement.”

City Council Resolution on Community Engagement – February 24, 2006

Authored by Council Members Johnson and Ostrow, resolution 2006R-094 called for a discussion of future community engagement needs and related organizational capacity and resources. Purpose: to direct the City Coordinator to develop a plan and timeline.

City Council Staff Direction – May 12, 2006

The Ways and Means/Budget Committee recommended, and the City Council approved, creation of a staff task force. Purpose: to review previous input, reports and recommendations on the subject of community engagement in Minneapolis; review model CE structures; interview partners and stakeholders, and summarize findings and recommendations for the City Council, reporting back to the Ways and Means/Budget and Community Development Committees of the City Council and to the Policy Board of the NRP.

Ways & Means/Budget Committee– November 13, 2006

The Ways and Means/Budget Committee recommended, and the City Council approved, receipt and filing of the Community Engagement Report and the staff direction to forward the report to neighborhood organizations for review and comments.

Community Development Committee– January 16, 2007

The Community Development Committee recommended, and the City Council approved, receipt and filing of the Community Engagement Report (with reference to *W&M/Budget Action 11/13/2006: received & filed; directed staff to forward the report to neighborhood organizations for review and comments*).