



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Finance Department

Date: November 30, 2007
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Referral to: None

Subject: Court-Ordered Reimbursement of Stop on Red Revenue

Recommendation:

1. Authorize appropriation of up to \$50,000 the Contingency Fund (0100-175-1750-5130)
2. Approve receipt of funds from Hennepin County and the State of Minnesota of revenue received by those entities under the Court order.

Previous Directives: None.

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Approved by: Patrick P. Born, Finance Officer _____

Steven Bosacker, City Coordinator _____

Presenter in Committee: Mary Ellen Heng, Assistant City Attorney x2270;

Heather Johnston, Director, Management and Budget, x2918

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ___ Date _____
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ___ Date _____

Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the ___ Capital Budget or X Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves X
- Action is within the Business Plan
- Action requires a change to the Business Plan
- Other financial impact

- Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

Supporting Information

On October 1, 2007, the District Court ordered the City of Minneapolis to refund money paid individuals who resolved their Stop on Red citation. These individuals had made a motion in Hennepin County District Court to reopen their previously resolved citation. This motion was granted by Judge Wernick. The City has been in contact with Hennepin County and the State of Minnesota to ensure that the City of Minneapolis will receive from the County and the State of Minnesota the portion of the fine that was distributed to them which includes all fines, surcharges, and law library fees.

The requested authorization is anticipated to cover the payments required through November 30, 2007. Additional authorizations for future payments will be brought forward in a separate action.