



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development**

**Date:** March 2, 2004  
**To:** Council Member Lisa Goodman, Community Development Cmte  
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**Presenter in Committee:** Donna Wiemann

**Approved by:** Lee Pao Xiong, Director, Housing \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** Harbor Light at 1010 Currie Avenue

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the use of the 26 SRO units on the fifth floor of Harbor Light by single persons who have recently completed treatment and participate in The Salvation Army's Transitional Housing program with resident support services.

**Previous Directives:** In October, 2001, the Board received and filed a report concerning the use of 16 units on the fifth floor of Harbor Light, 1010 Currie, for their transitional housing program for a one-year period. In 1990, the City Council approved up to \$946,715 to the Salvation Army for the development of 26 SRO units on the fifth floor of 1010 Currie.

**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
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Community Impact**

**Ward:** 5

**Neighborhood Notification:** None.

**City Goals:** Foster the development and preservation of a mix of quality housing types that is available, affordable, meets current needs, and promotes future growth.

**Comprehensive Plan:** 4.11 Minneapolis will improve the availability of housing options for its residents.

**Zoning Code:** Project complies.

**Living Wage/Job Linkage:** Not applicable.

### **Background/Supporting Information**

In 1990 the City Council approved \$946,715 of Convention Center replacement funds to rehabilitate the fifth floor of the Harbor Light facility at 1010 Currie into 26 Single Room Occupancy units by The Salvation Army. The units provide permanent housing for 26 single individuals with incomes at or less than 30% of median. The tenants live independently without resident support services.

The Salvation Army has asked to use the 26 SRO units for persons who have recently completed chemical dependency treatment and need housing with resident support services.

The Salvation Army has operated a transitional housing program with resident support services in several locations over the years. The proposed change of location to 1010 Currie will allow the provision of more services to the fifth floor clients due to their proximity to the rest of the programming and services provided at Harbor Light.