



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Public Works
And
Office of Ward 12**

Date: October 25, 2011
To: Honorable Sandy Colvin Roy, Chair, Transportation and Public works Committee
Referral: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair, Ways & Means Committee
Subject: **Providing for an Improvement to a Pedestrian Crossing Light at 28th Avenue South and Minnehaha Creek Through Payment from Ward 12 Funds**

Recommendation:

- a. Request authorization for the Minneapolis Public Works Department to provide the service of changing the crossing light from constantly blinking to user actuated.
- b. Authorize proper city officers to transfer up to \$4,000 complete this work from the Ward 12 office budget to Public Works upon completion of the work.
- c. Increase the appropriation for the PW-Transportation Capital Agency in the Permanent Improvement Fund (4100-943-9440 CTR1199R100) up to \$4,000 and decrease the appropriation for the Ward 12 Office Budget (00100-2600112) by no more than \$4,000.

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Approved by:

Council Member Sandra Colvin Roy, Ward 12

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

Presenters: Steve Mosing, Traffic and Parking Services

Financial Impact

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget.

Fund Name: 4100-943-9440

Project Name: CTR1199R100

Amount: \$4,000

Action requires an appropriation decrease to the General Fund Budget

Fund Name: 00100-2600112

Amount: \$4,000

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable

City Goals: An appropriately designed and well maintained City infrastructure will promote safe and efficient movement of our Police, Fire and Emergency units as well as the safe and efficient movement of our residents and traveling public.

Preserve and enhance our natural and historic environment and promote a clean, sustainable Minneapolis by preserving the ability to provide coordinated traffic flow thus continuing to reduce CO and hydrocarbon production.

Comprehensive Plan: Not applicable

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The crossing of 28th Avenue South and Minnehaha Creek connects a highly used bicycle/pedestrian path. Ward 12 residents have observed that many drivers, having become accustomed to a continuously flashing pedestrian light, no longer stop for bicyclists and pedestrians at this location. A user actuated crossing in the near vicinity enjoys better compliance and acceptance.

In an effort to quickly and efficiently improve public safety at this crossing, Council Member Colvin Roy and Public Works Director Steve Kotke request authorization for the Public Works Department to provide the service of changing the crossing light from constantly blinking to user actuated. The work shall be done under the supervision of the Public Works department using department personnel and in accordance with standard operating procedures for such work.

The Council Member and Department are requesting that funds available from the Ward 12 Office budget be used to cover the cost incurred by Public Works to convert this light.

The Council Member and Department are requesting an appropriation increase for the PW-Transportation Capital Agency in the Permanent Improvement Fund (4100-943-9440 CTR 1199R100) up to \$4,000. The funds will be transferred from the Ward 12 Office Budget (00100-2600112), the appropriation for which will be decreased by no more than \$4,000.

By Council Member Betsy Hodges

“Passage of a resolution to amend the 2011 general appropriation resolution to decrease the appropriation for the Ward 12 Council Office no more than \$4,000 (00100-2600112).

“Passage of a resolution to amend the 2011 general appropriation resolution to increase appropriation for Public Works in the Capital Improvements Fund in the Transportation Capital Agency for expenses related to capital projects by \$4,000 (4100/943/9440 CTR1199R100).