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Neighborhood Leaders,

The Neighborhood and Community Relations Department has introduced to the City Council draft revisions to the existing Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) ordinance. With the expiration of the NRP Policy Board's Joint Powers Agreement, the revised NRP ordinance and a related resolution to re-establish the NRP Policy Board are vital to continuation of the NRP program in Minneapolis. We are also proposing to revise the resolution for the Neighborhood Community Engagement Commission (NCEC). We have proposed to the City Council that the draft ordinance and resolutions be available for 30 days, 3 times the legally required review period, prior to the City Council's Committee of the Whole hearing and a final vote.

The City Council's Committee of the Whole will hold a hearing on the draft NRP Ordinance and draft resolutions on Thursday, December 8, 2011. The City Council's Committee of the Whole meets at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, 317 City Hall. We anticipate that the City Council will vote on the draft NRP ordinance and resolutions on Friday, December 9.

On our website, <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/ncr/changes.asp>, you can find the;

1. Proposed NRP Ordinance Revision
2. NRP Policy Board Resolution
3. NCEC Resolution

We encourage you to review the documents, and contact your council member with your comments. You may also send your comments to our office at:

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You may also email your comments to ncr@minneapolismn.gov (*email preferred*). All comments that are received prior to noon on Monday, December 5, will be included in the report to the City Council's Committee of the Whole.

The draft ordinance provides for the establishment of a new NRP Policy Board, continuation of Phase I and Phase II of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program, as well as continued programming through the City's Community Participation Program. The ordinance also provides for continued support and administration of NRP through the Neighborhood and Community Relations Department.

The resolution re-establishes the NRP Policy Board with the following membership:

- Mayor of the City of Minneapolis or designee
- President or other member of the Minneapolis City Council
- One elected official from each of the following entities:
 - Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
 - Board of Education, Special School District No. 1
 - Board of Commissioners of Hennepin County
- A representative from Minneapolis' House of Representatives delegation
- A representative from Minneapolis' State Senate delegation
- Four neighborhood representatives

We do not anticipate any significant changes to your NRP activities. New Phase II plans, and any Phase I and Phase II plan modifications, may be brought to the Neighborhood and Community Relations Department starting January 2, 2012. We are working towards a smooth handoff of NRP contracts from NRP to the Neighborhood and Community Relations Department by the end of this year. We also are working to ensure a timely and orderly transfer of support services traditionally provided by NRP, including continuation of Directors and Officers insurance, audit services, and other support services.

The Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission (NCEC) resolution revises the commission's scope of work to reflect the changes resulting from the establishment of a new NRP Policy Board and to prevent duplication of authority.

What if you have further questions?

You may contact one of our neighborhood specialists:

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You can also visit our website for further details:
<http://www.minneapolismn.gov/ncr/changes.asp>.

We look forward to hearing from you, and to continuing our work with you through this important transition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Rubedor', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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