



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Transportation & Public Works

Date: May 13, 2014

To: Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Rock the Garden Block Event, June 20 – June 23, 2014**

Recommendation: Approve large block even to operate outside of City of Minneapolis Ordinance language, Title 17, Chapter 455

Previous Directives:

- 2008 to 2013 – City Council approved Rock the Garden large block event
- March 10, 2006 -- Passage of Ordinance amending Title 17, Chapter 455 of Code relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events, establishing a new "large block event" category, extending the hours allowed for block events, and clarifying amplified sound permit requirements for residential block events.

Department Information

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Presenters in Committee: Douglas Maday, Phil Schliesman

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): N/A
- Civil Rights Approval N/A
- Policy Review Group (PRG): N/A

Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification – Applicant must adhere to all conditions of Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events
City Goals - Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city
- Comprehensive Plan - Not Applicable
- Zoning Code - Not Applicable

Supporting Information

The Walker Art Center has requested the closure of Vineland Place from Hennepin Avenue South to Bryant Avenue South for the set-up of the event on Friday June 20, 2014 and removal of the event on Sunday night June 22, 2014 into Monday morning June 23, 2014. The "Rock the Garden Music Festival" takes place on Saturday June 21, 2014 from 3pm to 11pm and Sunday June 22nd, 2014 from 3pm to 11pm.

The closure of Vineland Place from Hennepin Avenue South to Bryant Avenue South will take place starting at 9am Friday June 20th, 2014 and the roadway will re-open by 6am Monday June 23rd, 2014. This set-up and tear down time and operation of the Walker Art Center's Rock the Garden Block Event is outside the large block event ordinance and thus needs Council approval.

Public Works agrees with allowing the closure of Vineland Place during this time as long as the applicant acquires the proper permits needed in order to hold the event. In addition the applicant will be responsible for obtaining the proper signage needed for lane and sidewalk closures, the applicant is also responsible for hiring the proper amount of police officers for traffic control during the event.

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