



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: August 18, 2009

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Subject: **Appropriation increase to city ABC ramps accounts to accommodate Mn/DOT approved improvement expenditures.**

Recommendation:

Increase appropriation to the City ABC Ramps Operating Cost Fund Department 685TAD4/5/7 Fund 07500 account 507019 by \$11,325,000 to be 100% reimbursed by MnDOT(revenue 685TAD4/5/7 fund 07500 account 321510) in accordance with MnDOT Agreement 66310 for various Mn/DOT approved, City managed Ramp Projects.

Previous Directives:

On January 23, 2009 City Council approved a ten year extension of the management agreement between the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and the City of Minneapolis to manage the ABC Ramps.

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Approved by:

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	NA	Date

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: **N/A**

City Goals: **Fulfill obligations under ABC ramps operating agreement**

Comprehensive Plan: **N/A**

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) has approved close to \$15 million dollars in major maintenance improvement projects for 2009-2010 period for the ABC Ramps. As detailed in the attached letter from Mn/DOT Interim Chief Financial Officer Norman Foster, \$11,325,000 of these projects will be administered by City of Minneapolis staff as outlined in the existing Management Agreement for operations of the ABC ramps. Staff is requesting an appropriation to the operating account 685TAD4/5/7 07500 507019 for the ABC ramps to allow payment on these projects and to accept reimbursement from Mn/DOT in the identical amount through the established Request For Funds process outlined in the Management Agreement to account 685TAD4/5/7 07500 321510.

The projects the city will be managing for the ABC Ramps are being organized and bid out five different ways:

1. The Ramp B work – construction of a new entrance/exit on 2nd Ave North, elevator and escalator upgrades to Ramp B, charter bus lobby upgrades on 394 level, and wayfinding work – was bid in one package Lund Martin Construction has been awarded the bid for \$5.85 million.
2. The revenue control equipment for automating Ramp B was awarded to Don Harstad Co. per our existing price agreement for approximately \$1.5 million.
3. The revenue control equipment for automating Ramp A and adding extra exit capacity to Ramp C totals approximately \$2.2 million and is being purchased through the State of Minnesota equipment lease program.
4. The installation of the Ramp A and C equipment is to be bid out later this fall and is expected to cost around \$1.3 million.
5. Additional signage and wayfinding around the ramps for event traffic will be bid out after design work is completed. This should total around \$600,000.

These five projects will account for the \$11,325,000 discussed in this letter to council.