



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development - Planning Division

Date: April 15, 2008

To: Council Member Scott Benson, Chair, Health, Energy, and Environment Committee and Members of the committee

Subject: Review the draft update of the Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan, *The Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth*

Recommendation: Receive and File

Previous Directives: N/A

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Financial Impact

- No financial impact
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the _Capital Budget or _ Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Action is within the Business Plan
- Action requires a change to the Business Plan
- Other financial impact
- Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

- City Goals - Incorporates the six city goals the council adopted in July 2006
- Comprehensive Plan – See Draft Chapters
- Zoning Code - Ensure the zoning code is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan

Supporting Information / Material

Draft chapters 6 & 7

The 45-day public review period for the update to the City's Comprehensive Plan, titled *The Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth* (TMP) concluded February 16, 2008. The Open Houses were well-received and attended by approximately 450 people. We received approximately 200 written comments from organizations and individuals to the plan. Most comments are affirmations of the policy direction, tone and style of the draft plan. Staff teams are working now to review and develop responses to comments, and to incorporate suggestions as appropriate into the next draft of the TMP.

Before staff brings the entire draft plan through the Zoning and Planning Committee for consideration and approval of submission to the Metropolitan Council, we are presenting aspects of the draft plan to the various council committees as an informational item. Our intent is to present the introduction and implementation chapters to each committee along with specific chapters most relevant to the committee's work. While individual committees will review different aspects, no official action will be required on the individual chapters, as they are not stand alone documents. Again, the Zoning and Planning Committee will consider the document as a whole before it goes before the full council, tentatively scheduled for June 2008.