



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

Date: July 15, 2008

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

Subject: **The Village Arts Festival -- August 16 & 17, 2008**

Recommendation:

Approve large block event per City of Minneapolis Ordinance, Title 17, Chapter 45

Previous Directives:

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

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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)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

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

Background/Supporting Information

Ventura Village is hosting The Village Arts Festival on August 16th and 17, 2008 and has requested the closure of Franklin Avenue East from 11th Avenue South to 15th Avenue South.

The closure of Franklin Avenue East would begin at 5 a.m. for set-up of the event with the event starting at 10 a.m. and running until 6 p.m. on Saturday August 16. Franklin Avenue East would remain closed overnight. The event would then open again at 10 a.m. on Sunday August 17 and end at 6 p.m. with clean-up following the ending of the event. Franklin Avenue East would be open to all traffic by 9 p.m. that evening.

This event is considered a large block event with more than 2500 people attending thus requiring Council approval for the event.

Public Works agrees with allowing the closure of Franklin Avenue East and the cross streets during the time period provided 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 number of police officers for traffic control during the event.

All road closures have been reviewed and approved by representatives of Hennepin County and the City of Minneapolis.

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