



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

Date: January 8, 2008
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: **Hennepin County Recycling Grant Applications for 2008 - 2010**

Recommendation:

1. That the City authorize submission of the 2008 – 2010 grant application to Hennepin County for S.C.O.R.E. funding for the Minneapolis Recycling program for 2008, 2009 and 2010.
2. That the appropriate City official shall be authorized to sign the 2008 contract with Hennepin County for the S.C.O.R.E. funds for the Minneapolis recycling program, said contract to be effective for 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Previous Directive:

Minneapolis City Council approved application for S.C.O.R.E. funds (2004 – 2007) on February 11, 2005.

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Approved by:

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Presenter: Susan A. Young

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
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information:

It is requested that Solid Waste and Recycling Services be authorized to submit a Recycling Grant Application (S.C.O.R.E. Grant) to Hennepin County and to execute an agreement between the County and the City to provide partial funding for the Minneapolis Recycling program. The period covered by the agreement is January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010.

The City includes the S.C.O.R.E. Tax on its Utility Bill, as required by State law. It is this state tax from which the S.C.O.R.E. monies are distributed to the counties, and then to the cities. While the exact amounts of the grant for each year are not known at this time, the City budgeted approximately \$700,000 for 2008 to the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund from this source as a budgeted Revenue line item

S.C.O.R.E. funding from the County to cities in the County is based on the total number of households that have curbside recycling services available in the county, divided by the amount of SCORE funds that are distributed to the County by the State.