



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

Date: August 23, 2011
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair, Transportation and Public Works Committee
Subject: **Sanitary Sewer Service Availability Charges: Set Assessment Public Hearing**

Recommendation:

That the Assessment Public Hearing before the Transportation and Public Works Committee be set for October 25, 2011 for the purpose of assessing the fees for sanitary sewer service availability charges that remain unpaid.

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Reviews: Not Applicable

Financial Impact:

Special assessment against benefited properties

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Public hearing notices to be sent out to property owners

City Goals: the City's infrastructure will be well-maintained.

Comprehensive Plan: Consistent

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The purpose of this letter is to request the setting of the Assessment Public Hearing for Service Availability Charges (SAC) involving 9 business properties located in the City of Minneapolis.

Statutorily, municipalities are required to impose use or availability charges on all recipients of waste treatment services in order to pay not only the current costs allocated to them by the Metropolitan Council but also the reserve capacity allocation, or SAC charge. Municipalities are able to recoup, from users of municipal sewer facilities, the service availability charges paid by the City.