

Memorandum

To: Policy Board Members and Alternates
From: Robert D. Miller, Director, NRP
Date: December 15, 2004
Subject: Hennepin County "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for Seward

The Seward Neighborhood Group (SNG) is requesting that approval be given to change the use of \$1,000 in the neighborhood's contract for Hennepin County NRP "Second 7.5%" funds.

Policy Board authorization is needed to allow Hennepin County to amend their contract with SNG to allow \$1,000 of the funds in this contract to be used to support the Franklin Avenue LRT Station Business Map Project. The area map project is an initiative that provides transit riders and residents clear directions to local businesses and institutions. It is designed to alleviate some of the present isolation of the Hiawatha Avenue neighborhoods. This project is a collaborative effort of SNG, Seward Redesign, Seward Civic and Commerce Association, Franklin Business Association, the Minneapolis Neighborhood Information System, and the Ventura Village neighborhood.

I recommend that the Policy Board adopt the following resolution.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board (NRP) hereby approves using \$1,000 of Seward's Hennepin County "Second 7.5%" NRP funds to support the Franklin Avenue LRT Station Business Map Project.



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DATE: December 7, 2004

TO: Bob Miller, Director, NRP

FROM: Rex Holzemer, Acting Area Director, Human Services Department

SUBJECT: Adjustment to Seward Neighborhood Group NRP Social Services Contract

I have reviewed the new proposal and am recommending a change in the Seward Neighborhood Group (SNG) contract for Hennepin County NRP Social Services (2 7.5%) Funding.

SNG is requesting \$1,000 in remaining Phase I dollars to use for the Franklin Avenue LRT Station Business Map Project. This is a collaborative project of the SNG, Seward Redesign, Seward Civic and Commerce Association, Ventura Village, Franklin Area Business Association and the Minneapolis Neighborhood Information Systems. The area map project is an initiative that provides transit riders and residents clear directions to local businesses and institutions. Some neighborhoods have been isolated from each other by Hiawatha Avenue and this Project is meant to alleviate this as well.

I am encouraged with this collaboration and support the use of the available funding for this purpose. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please feel free to call me at 612-348-3456. Thanks!

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