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Meeting date: May 23, 2011

Metropolitan Council Meeting: June 8, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: May 2, 2011
Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Project: Subordinate Funding Agreement with the University of Minnesota
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405 Agreement for the CCLRT Project through the University of Minnesota
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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) for an amount not to exceed \$601,000 for the Council's payment to the University of Minnesota as part of the Agreement between the University of Minnesota and the Council related to the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) for the relocation of a laboratory in Kolthoff Hall adversely affected by vibration caused by CCLRT Civil West construction.

Background

The Metropolitan Council, at its June 23, 2010 meeting, established the contractual framework with the University of Minnesota when it authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Funding Agreement for the construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) Project. The Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) provides the mechanism to transfer funds between the Metropolitan Council and the University of Minnesota.

The Metropolitan Council will reimburse the University of Minnesota not to exceed \$601,000 for the relocation of the laboratory in Kolthoff Hall impacted by Civil West construction contract.

Rationale

Reimbursing the University of Minnesota for the costs of relocation (including costs to move existing equipment and refurbish a new lab) of the Kolthoff Hall laboratory adversely affected by CCLRT construction is the outcome of implementing terms of the September 30, 2010 Agreement for the CCLRT Project through the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities – Minneapolis Campus (the Agreement). Specifically, the Agreement requires mitigation for University research and research equipment adversely affected by CCLRT construction.

Agreements over \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Funding is available from the CCLRT Project budget.

Known Support / Opposition

The University of Minnesota supports the subordinate funding agreement. No known opposition.