

C Community Development Committee

Meeting date: June 18, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

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| Date: | June 7, 2007 |
| Subject: | 2007 Operating Budget Amendment |
| District(s), Member(s): | All |
| Policy/Legal Reference: | MN Statute 473.13 – Council budget requirements |
| Staff Prepared/Presented: | Guy Peterson, Director, Community Development Division (651-602-1418) |
| Division/Department: | Community Development |

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council amend the 2007 Unified Operating Budget by transferring \$1,000,000 from the Livable Communities Demonstration Account (LCDA) to the Local Planning Assistance Fund.

Overview

The Metropolitan Land Planning Act authorizes the Council to establish a planning assistance fund to make grants and loans to local governments to assist in preparation of local comprehensive plans (473.867 Planning Assistance; Grants; Loans)

In May the Legislature passed, and the Governor signed into law, legislation allowing the Metropolitan Council to make a one-time transfer of up to \$1 million dollars from the Livable Communities Demonstration Account to a planning assistance fund for grants or loans. The Grants will be made available to qualifying local governments and counties to prepare and submit comprehensive plan updates to the Metropolitan Council by December 31, 2008.