

C Community Development Committee
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 9, 2008

Item: 2008-70

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: March 24, 2008

Subject: Confirmation of Livable Communities Demonstration Account Grant Award
SG007-120, Rivoli Street

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council's Community Development Committee confirm its \$468,897 Livable Communities Demonstration Account grant, approved on December 12, 2007, to the City of Saint Paul's Rivoli Street project, grant number SG007-120.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Deborah Streets Jensen, Sr. Project Administrator, stated that the committee is being asked to confirm a grant award of \$468,897 to the Saint Paul, Rivoli Street project. She reported that the CDC included Rivoli Street in the fall round of Livable Communities Demonstration Account grants when it awarded those grants on December 12, 2007.

Jensen explained that this action is being taken to correct two clerical errors contained in the section entitled, "Funding Requested" of Business Item #2007-342. The grant award is unchanged. However, the line item details of \$95,679 for street, storm sewer and water lines were not included in the business item approved by the Council. A \$38,000 line item for sanitary sewer costs was also not included. Jensen stated that the LCAC did evaluate this item as a part of the application, that neither error would have affected the score of the project, and neither changes the award amount previously approved by the CDC. The committee had no further questions and recommended that the Metropolitan Council confirm its earlier award of \$468,897 for SG007-120 to the City of Saint Paul for the Rivoli Street project.

C Community Development Committee

Meeting date: March 17, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	3/17/2008
Subject:	Confirmation of Livable Communities Demonstration Account Grant Award SG007-120, Rivoli Street
District(s), Member(s):	District 13, Richard Aguilar
Policy/Legal Reference:	473.253 Livable Communities Demonstration Account
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Paul Burns, Livable Communities Manager (651) 602-1106 Deborah Streets Jensen, Sr. Project Administrator (651) 602-1554
Division/Department:	Community Development/Housing and Livable Communities Department

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council's Community Development Committee confirm its \$468,897 Livable Communities Demonstration Account grant, approved on December 12, 2007, to the City of Saint Paul's Rivoli Street project, grant number SG007-120.

Background

On December 12, 2007, the Community Development Committee awarded \$468,897 in Livable Communities Demonstration Account funds to the City of Saint Paul to the Rivoli Street project. The project, which was considered exemplary by the Livable Communities Advisory Committee, will rebuild the existing part of Rivoli Street south of Minnehaha Avenue in the Railroad Island neighborhood of Saint Paul and extend the street for future housing use. This will complement a new housing development for 41 single-family detached dwellings being built on an abandoned brownfield that is currently undergoing remediation through the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

The Community Development Committee's Business Item #2007-342 contained two clerical errors:

- The City's application did not include details of \$95,679 for their project. This amount would fund design, engineering, and inspection costs for the new layout of street and intersection reconstruction, lighting, sidewalks, and the infiltration system for storm water treatment from the street, extensions and modification of sewer and water lines.
- Livable Communities staff omitted a \$38,000 line item for sanitary sewer costs. The LCAC did evaluate this item as a part of the application.
- Neither error would have affected the score of the project, and neither changes the award amount.

Rationale

This action is being taken in the interest of full disclosure to correct two clerical errors. Staff believes that the \$95,679 item would have been awarded if it had been delineated during the application review process. The \$38,000 item was approved during the application review process. Neither omitted item will add to the overall grant amount.

Funding

LCDA funding has already been approved by the Community Development Committee.

Known Support / Opposition

None.