



Metropolitan Council

Meeting date: October 22, 2008

Business Item

Item: 2008-259

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	October 14, 2008
Subject:	Adopting the Metropolitan Council's Public Hearing Drafts of the 2009 Unified Operating Budget, 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Program and 2009 Authorized Capital Program and Budget
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Minnesota Statutes Section 275.065, Section 473.121 and Section 473.13
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Wes Kooistra, Chief Finance Officer (651) 602-1567
Division/Department:	Regional Administration

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Public Hearing Drafts of the 2009 Unified Operating Budget, 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Program and 2009 Authorized Capital Program and Budget

Issue(s)

The Metropolitan Council will hold a Public Hearing on the 2009 Unified Operating Budget, 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Program and 2009 Authorized Capital Program and Budget at 5:00 PM on November 12, 2008.

Rationale and Funding

The Public Hearing Draft of the 2009 Unified Operating Budget is consistent with the Preliminary Budget adopted by the Council in August except for a decrease of \$4 million to the proposed NorthStar Commuter Rail Service operating budget. \$2 million of the decrease is due to changes in Insurance Expense and Retention Financing and \$2 million due to performing maintenance internally.

Expenditures	Preliminary Budget	Public Hearing Budget	Change
Transportation	\$ 439,374,788	\$ 435,374,788	(\$ 4,000,000)
Environmental Services	213,103,550	213,103,550	-
Community Development	95,169,951	95,169,951	-
Regional Administration	6,483,465	6,483,465	-
Total	\$ 754,131,754	\$ 750,131,754	(\$ 4,000,000)

The 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Program and 2009 Authorized Capital Program and Budget is as presented today.