



Legislation Text

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Approving the use of Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program Funds for Dickerman Park and the Snelling Avenue lighting project.

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2015 the Neighborhood STAR Board reviewed two proposals from the Hamline Midway Coalition in collaboration with Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department for Dickerman Park and with the St. Paul Public Works Department for Snelling Avenue lighting; and,

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood STAR Board rated the Dickerman Park project a 3.54 and ranked the Snelling Avenue Lighting project a 4.36 on a scale from 1 (low) to 5 (high); and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Mayor and Saint Paul City Council to participate in the financing of these two activities by providing a total of \$125,000 in grant financing from the Ward 4 Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program -- \$75,000 for Snelling Avenue Lighting and \$50,000 for Dickerman Park; and

WHEREAS, a waiver of the STAR Guidelines requiring a \$1 to \$1 match with non-city resources is being recommended for the Dickerman Park project; and

WHEREAS, the Snelling Avenue lighting project will be matched by assessment dollars above and beyond the \$75,000 in Year-Round STAR funds; and

WHEREAS, because the Snelling Lighting proposal is of substantial community significance, a waiver of the STAR Guideline regarding the refinancing of existing debt being an ineligible expenditure is recommended; and,

WHEREAS, work on the Snelling Lighting project began on May 1, 2015 therefore eligible expenditures occurring after this date shall hereby qualify for funding; and

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Mayor, the Council of the City of Saint Paul hereby authorizes and directs the appropriate City officials to execute the necessary grant documents to implement this Resolution, subject to approval by the City Attorney; and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, staff of the Department of Planning and Economic Development are further authorized and directed to proceed with all other actions necessary to implement this Resolution.