



Legislation Text

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Approving and authorizing acceptance of a grant from the McKnight Foundation in the amount of \$4,000.00, amending the 2021 City budget in the amount of \$4,000.00 upon acceptance of said grant, and approving and authorizing expenditure of the \$4,000.00 grant for zoning studies in connection therewith (Citywide).

WHEREAS, the McKnight Foundation has awarded to the Department of Planning and Development of the City of Saint Paul a grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 from the McKnight Foundation Employee Matching Gift Program (the Grant); and

WHEREAS, former Saint Paul Planning Commissioner Lue Vang was instrumental in securing said Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Economic Development regularly conducts zoning studies to identify potential amendments to the Saint Paul Zoning Code for the purpose of better achieving the intent and goals of both the Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan and the Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the Saint City Council and/or Saint Paul Planning Commission regularly request zoning studies to identify potential zoning responses to policy concerns regarding orderly growth and development of the City of Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, the costs for said zoning studies are occasionally incurred for work with expert consultants; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Economic Development annually incurs in-kind and other costs for said studies exceeding the amount of the McKnight Foundation Grant;

WHEREAS, the Grant will be used for the furtherance of zoning studies; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, pursuant to Section 10.07.1 of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul, does hereby certify that upon acceptance of the Grant there are available for appropriation revenues in excess of those estimated in the 2021 budget and recommends the changes to the 2021 budget identified on the attached Financial Analysis; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on this resolution was held before the City Council on August 18, 2021, and the Saint Paul City Council finds a public purpose for the actions taken in this resolution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Saint Paul does hereby accept this Grant from the McKnight Foundation and extends its sincere gratitude to the McKnight Foundation, McKnight Foundation employees, and former Saint Paul Planning Commission member Lue Vang; and, now, be it further

RESOLVED, that the City of Saint Paul, through the Saint Paul City Council, hereby:

1. Approves and accepts the Grant from the McKnight Foundation in the amount of \$4,000.00;
2. Approves the Grant for purposes of zoning studies conducted by the Planning and Economic Development Department of the City of Saint Paul
3. Approves the changes to the 2021 budget as identified in the attached Financial Analysis.
4. Authorizes City staff and legal counsel for the City to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution and authorizes the City's Director of Department of Planning and Economic Development to execute documents, consents, and instruments in connection therewith.

