



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Public Works**

Date: July 24, 2007

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: 44th Annual Uptown Art Fair

Recommendation:

Approve large block event per City of Minneapolis Ordinance, Title 17, Chapter 45

Previous Directives:

- March 10, 2006 -- Passage of Ordinance amending Title 17, Chapter 455 of Code relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events, establishing a new "large block event" category, extending the hours allowed for block events, and clarifying amplified sound permit requirements for residential block events.

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Approved by:

Steven Kotke, P.E., City Engineer - Director of Public Works

Presenters: Doug Maday, Lane Use Administrator, Traffic and Parking Services

Permanent Review Committee (PRC)	Approval _____	Not applicable <u> X </u>
Policy review Group (PRG)	Approval _____	Not applicable <u> X </u>

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Applicant must adhere to all conditions of Title 17, Chapter 455 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: Block Events

City Goals: Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city

Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

- Public Works approves the closure of Hennepin Avenue South from 28th Street West to 31st Street West with the intersections of Lagoon Avenue South and Lake Street West open to traffic. This set up would start at 8 a.m. on Friday, August 3, 2007. The event hours are:

12 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday August 3,

10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday August 4

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday August 5.

The roads will be open to traffic by 10 p.m. on Sunday August 5, 2007.

We see no problem with allowing the closure of Hennepin Avenue South during that time period as long as the applicant acquires the proper permits needed to hold the event. In addition, the applicant will be responsible for obtaining the proper signage needed for lane and sidewalk closures. The applicant is also responsible for hiring the proper amount of police officers for traffic control during the event.

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