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5/31/2024

Re: FY25 NSP/Invest in Neighborhoods Operating Support

Councilmember Walsh:

I would like to bring to your attention that Invest in Neighborhoods' requested operating support of \$75k was not included in the Recommended Budget.

However, I believe that 75k request was rolled into the NSP/Community Councils line item.

We (Invest and the Community Councils) had requested during the March FY25 Budget Hearings an increase to NSP of \$125k. (We also submitted that request with supporting documentation to the Office of Budget and Evaluation)

The total NSP FY25 budget with the additional \$125k would have been \$550k, instead the line item in the Recommended Budget totaled \$625k. A difference of \$75k

At the same time, the Recommended Budget did not include a line item for Invest in Neighborhoods, which effectively de-funds Invest in Neighborhoods if the Recommended Budget passes as is.

We are requesting that City Council passes a motion to restore the \$75k operating support to Invest in Neighborhood, sourced from the NSP.

This would still keep the NSP level at the requested increase of \$125k, with the Councils receiving \$10k each – a level of funding which has not been seen since 2010

Thank you for your consideration,

Elizabeth Bartley

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