

469.203 TARGETED NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION AND FINANCING.

Subdivision 1. **Requirements.** For each targeted neighborhood for which a city requests state financial assistance under section 469.204, the city must prepare a comprehensive revitalization and financing program that includes the following:

- (1) the revitalization objectives of the city for the targeted neighborhood;
- (2) the specific activities or means by which the city intends to pursue and implement the revitalization objectives;
- (3) the extent to which the activities identified in clause (2) will benefit low- and moderate-income families, will alleviate the blighted condition of the targeted neighborhood, or will otherwise assist in the revitalization of the targeted neighborhood;
- (4) a statement of the intended outcomes to be achieved by implementation of the revitalization program, how the outcomes will be measured both qualitatively and quantitatively, and the estimated time over which they will occur; and
- (5) a financing program and budget that identifies the financial resources necessary to implement the revitalization program, including:
 - (i) the estimated total cost to implement the revitalization program;
 - (ii) the estimated cost to implement each activity in the revitalization program identified in clause (2);
 - (iii) the estimated amount of financial resources that will be available from all sources other than from the appropriation available under section 469.204 to implement the revitalization program, including the amount of private investment expected to result from the use of public money in the targeted neighborhood;
 - (iv) the estimated amount of the appropriation available under section 469.204 that will be necessary to implement the revitalization program;
 - (v) a description of the activities identified in the revitalization program for which the state appropriation will be committed or spent; and
 - (vi) a statement of how the city intends to meet the requirement for a financial contribution from city matching money in accordance with section 469.204, subdivision 3.

Subd. 2. **Targeted neighborhood participation in preparing revitalization program.** A city requesting state financial assistance under section 469.204 shall adopt a process to involve the residents of targeted neighborhoods in the development, drafting, and implementation of the revitalization program. The process shall include the use of a citizen participation process

established by the city. A description of the process must be included in the program. The process to involve residents of the targeted neighborhood must include at least one public hearing. The city of Minneapolis shall establish the community-based process as outlined in subdivision 3. The city of St. Paul shall use the same community-based process the city used in planning, developing, drafting, and implementing the revitalization program required under Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 6. The city of Duluth shall use the same citizen participation process the city used in planning, developing, and implementing the federal funded community development program.

Subd. 3. Community participation; Minneapolis. (a) For the purposes of this subdivision, "city" means the city of Minneapolis.

(b) The city shall adopt a process to involve the residents in targeted neighborhoods and assisted housing in planning, developing, and implementing the program. As part of this process, the city shall ensure that the community-based process has sufficient resources to assist in the development of the program and that the advisory board is established.

(c) Beginning with the program for 1991, each targeted neighborhood or group of targeted neighborhoods in the city must have a strategic planning group whose members include residents of the targeted neighborhood and representatives of institutions in the neighborhood. The group shall, as part of its responsibilities, develop a strategic plan for the neighborhood. This strategic plan must include the elements that the planning group recommends as part of the program. The strategic plan must also address how the targeted neighborhood portions of the revitalization program will be integrated with the elements that are recommended to be included as part of the community resources program if such a program is developed in the city. If possible, the city shall integrate the community participation process required under this subdivision with the community participation process required for the development of the community resources program if such a program is developed in the city.

(d) The city shall ensure that the strategic planning group required under paragraph (c) is established. An existing group or organization that reflects the required membership under paragraph (c) may be designated as the strategic planning group. The city may provide financial and staff resources to ensure the establishment of the strategic planning groups, and may use part of the money received from the state under section 469.204 to assist in the establishment of the targeted neighborhood strategic planning groups.

(e) As part of the process for the development of the program, each targeted neighborhood strategic planning group shall submit assigned priority recommendations for the revitalization program to the city and the advisory board established under paragraph (f).

(f) The city shall establish an urban revitalization action program advisory committee to assist the city in developing and implementing the preliminary revitalization program. The advisory committee shall consist of at least two representatives of the city council appointed by the city council, one or more for-profit or nonprofit housing developers, one or more representatives of the business community appointed by the city's chamber of commerce, and resident representatives of the targeted neighborhoods. The representatives of the targeted neighborhoods shall represent a majority of the membership of the advisory committee and reflect the geographic, cultural, racial, and ethnic diversity of the targeted neighborhoods. The city may determine the size of the advisory committee and may designate an existing entity as the advisory committee if the entity meets the membership requirements outlined in this subdivision.

(g) The advisory committee shall work closely with city staff in developing and drafting the preliminary revitalization program. The advisory committee shall be involved in assessing needs, prioritizing funds, and developing criteria for evaluating program proposals. In developing the preliminary program, the advisory committee shall give consideration to the recommendations made by the targeted neighborhood strategic planning groups.

(h) The advisory committee shall conduct a public hearing and secure input from residents of targeted neighborhoods, business persons, governmental units affected by the program, and other organizations and persons.

(i) The advisory committee and city staff may make any changes to the preliminary program resulting from testimony given at the public hearing. The advisory committee must formally recommend to the city council a preliminary revitalization program.

Subd. 4. City approval of program. (a) Before adoption of a revitalization program under paragraph (b), the city must submit a preliminary program to the commissioner and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for their comments. The city may not adopt the revitalization program until comments have been received from the state agencies or 30 days have elapsed without response after the program was sent to them. Comments received by the city from the state agencies within the 30-day period must be responded to in writing by the city before adoption of the program by the city.

(b) The city may adopt a revitalization program only after holding a public hearing after the program has been prepared. Notice of the hearing must be provided in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and in the most widely circulated community newspaper in the targeted neighborhoods not less than ten days nor more than 30 days before the date of the hearing.

(c) A certification by the city that a revitalization program has been approved by the city council for the targeted neighborhood must be provided to the commissioner together with a copy

of the program. A copy of the program must also be provided to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and the commissioner of employment and economic development.

(d) A revitalization program for the city may be modified at any time by the city council after a public hearing, notice of which is published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and in the targeted neighborhood at least ten days nor more than 30 days before the date of the hearing. If the city council determines that the proposed modification is a significant modification to the program originally certified under paragraph (c), the city council shall implement the revitalization program approval and certification process of this subdivision for the proposed modification.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1990 c 423 s 7]

History: 1989 c 328 art 6 s 14; 1990 c 423 s 6; 1991 c 345 art 2 s 60; 2000 c 260 s 67; 1Sp2003 c 4 s 1