LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

JULY 7, 2004 AGENDA COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ITEM 1, FILE 040241 Emma J. Stamps

File #040241 is a resolution authorizing and directing a transfer of funds from the Capitol Improvement-Advance Planning Fund to a subaccount for the African American Cultural and Entertainment District for a commercial and economic development analysis market study. (DCD)

Background and Discussion

- 1. The 2004 budget provided \$150,000 for the Advanced Planning Fund capital account.
- 2. Preliminary planning studies and research costs are qualified uses for these capital funds.
- 3. The Department of City Development plans to contract with CH2M Hill to determine the feasibility of creating an African American Entertainment and Cultural District in the 6th Aldermanic District.
- 4. The proposed district boundaries are West Meinecke Avenue, West Garfield Avenue, West North Avenue, MLK Jr. Drive, and North 7th Street.
- 5. File 040241 authorizes a \$35,000 fund transfer and expenditure to fund the study.
- 6. According to the term sheet, the study will identify preferred uses consisting of, but not limited to:
 - A performing arts theater
 - Cultural museums
 - African American themed restaurants
 - Clubs
 - Venues

Fiscal Impact

Adopting File #040241 authorizes a \$35,000 transfer and expenditure from the 2004 Capital Improvements Advance Planning Fund.

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