

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



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Honorable Councilmembers:

I am pleased to transmit to you my 2014 Proposed Capital Improvement Budget. The proposed budget totals \$70,345,000 and funds strategic investments in our public safety infrastructure, community spaces, and commercial corridors.

My top priorities in the 2014 budget include the *Fire Station 19 Expansion* project, which will greatly improve fire and paramedic service in Highland Park and surrounding neighborhoods; the *El Rio Vista Fields* and *Parque Castillo Play Area*, which will create first-class athletic facilities for kids on the West Side; and the *Highland Village Streetscape Improvements*, which will replace the aging sidewalks and boulevards in the Highland business district.

I want to thank the members of the Capital Improvement Budget Committee and District Council representatives who spent long hours reviewing and ranking CIB proposals. Their dedication to making Saint Paul a better place to live is remarkable.

I look forward to working with you on finalizing a 2014 Capital Improvement Budget that best meets the needs of the residents of Saint Paul.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christopher B. Coleman".

Christopher B. Coleman
Mayor