

# City of Minneapolis

## Request for Committee Action

**To:** Health, Environment & Community Engagement  
**Date:** 4/18/2016  
**Referral:** N/A  
**From:** Health Department  
**Lead Staff:** Oliviah Walker, Senior Public Health Specialist/Youth Development, x5527  
**Presented by:** Oliviah Walker; Mageen Caines, Public Health Researcher/Epidemiologist; and, Neese Parker (from Youthprise)  
**File Type:** Receive & File  
**Subcategory:** Presentation

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**Subject:**

Presentation on Participatory Youth-led Research Project on Youth Male Sexual Health

**Description:**

Receive and file presentation reviewing findings and recommendations from 2015 Male Health Assessment conducted by Minneapolis Health Department and Youthprise.

**Previous Actions:**

None

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**Ward/Address:**

All wards

**Background/Analysis:**

In 2014, the Adolescent Health and Youth Development Division of the Health Department conducted a data analysis and programmatic review of our work around adolescent and youth sexual health. While teen pregnancy rates continue to decline, sexually transmitted infections (STIs) rates have increased or remained stagnant across the City. 15-24 year olds across the City have the highest rates of Chlamydia and Gonorrhea, with significant disparities for young men of color. To better understand the social determinants of health that have created this public health issue, we invested in a qualitative participatory youth-led project, conducted in 2015 in partnership with Youthprise. Youth researchers defined the issues present in communities for young men of color, and made recommendations that could further the impact of potential programs, practices, and policies.

**Financial Review:**

**No financial impact.**

**Attachments:**

1. Report overview and recommendations
2. PowerPoint Presentation