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## METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

### An Inventory of the Subject Files of Richard Johnson

#### OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

**Agency:** Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities Area.  
**Series Title:** Subject files of Richard Johnson.  
**Dates:** 1981-1999 (bulk 1990-1999).  
**Quantity:** 0.9 cu. ft. (1 box).  
**Location:** 118.H.15.7B

#### SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE FILES

Subject files of Richard Johnson, Associate Regional Administrator, covering such topics as the activities of an advisory task force on professional sports in Minnesota, including refinancing of a hockey arena in St. Paul (1995); transition of the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging (1994) and Metropolitan Regional Arts Council (1990) to independent non-profit organizations; privatization of the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Division's duties (1998-1999); planned use of the proceeds from the sale of the Metropolitan Sports Center (1994-1996); a regional indicators project (1997-1999); and transit operations (1981-1999). The files include correspondence, meeting minutes, financial information, reports and manuals.

#### INDEX TERMS

*This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.*

#### Topics:

Aged--Governmental policy--Minnesota.  
Art and state--Minnesota.  
Environmental policy--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.  
Hockey arenas--Minnesota--Saint Paul--Finance.  
Local transit--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.  
Privatization--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.  
Professional sports--Minnesota.



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Metropolitan Regional Arts Council, 1984-1991.

Mainly documenting its 1990 transition to a non-profit organization.

Metropolitan Sports Center proceeds, 1994-1996. 3 folders.

Correspondence, minutes, audit, and reports, detailing the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission's plans to use a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Metropolitan Sports Center for expenditures.

Regional Indicators, 1997-1999. 2 folders.

Includes a comprehensive and objective report on the state of the Twin Cities region and the beginning of a process of identifying specific, measurable indicators of regional conditions.

Transit operations, 1981-1999. 2 folders.

Transition Project Report, 1993. 2 folders.

A summary of existing recommendations on Council focus and purpose.