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## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

### **City Manager's Office**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### **SUBJECT—**

Receive and file the Beaverdale Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy and refer to the City Manager for recommendation regarding the City's involvement in implementing the strategy.

#### **SYNOPSIS—**

The City Council is asked to receive, file and refer the Beaverdale Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy to the City Manager for review and comment.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT—**

None

#### **RECOMMENDATION—**

Approval

#### **BACKGROUND—**

June 23, 2003, by Roll Call No. 03-1500, the City Council received the Beaverdale Village Conceptual Revitalization Plan presented by the Beaverdale Business Coalition, and the City Council referred the Plan to the City Manager for report and recommendation regarding the City's involvement in the Plan.

On July 28, 2003, by Roll Call No. 03-1810, the City Council approved a \$5,000 economic development grant to expand and define the Beavertdale Village Conceptual Revitalization Plan and prepare an appropriate historic consultant report in order to expand the historic district.

The Beavertdale Business Coalition and Beavertdale Neighborhood Association engaged professional planners, RDG Planning and Design, to expand the overall scope and geographic area of the study. RDG sought the input of countless Beavertdale residents and businesses to address the neighborhood's concerns regarding the area's revitalization. The resulting effort is the Beavertdale Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy, which Council is being asked to receive and file and to refer to the City Manager for review and recommendation.

The July 28, 2003, resolution called for the preparation of a historic consultant report in order to expand the historic district. This report has not yet been completed. The purpose of the historic consultant report is to provide a basis for potentially establishing a Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District (SSMID) in Beaverdale. Upon receipt of the consultant's report, the City's Community Development and Legal Departments will review the report and meet with the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association to determine if the neighborhood desires to proceed with designation as a historic district.

The SSMID would establish a source of funds for the various capital improvements, including streetscape and maintenance of these improvements. There are many procedural and policy issues related to the establishment of a historic district in the Beaverdale neighborhood. This is a complicated issue that will require significant input from City staff. As page 74 of the Revitalization Strategy points out, establishing a historic district in Beaverdale may require changes to the City's historic preservation ordinance. Such an ordinance could have an impact that would reach beyond Beaverdale, and therefore requires further research before a recommendation is made.