



# Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 19  
Roll Call No. 09-  
Communication No. 09-263  
Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Community  
Development Department Director

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of two (2) tax abatement applications for improvements to property located at 1001 Cherry Street and 2521 Kingman Blvd.

## SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the applications to apply prospectively as provided by Iowa Law. The applications were filed with the City of Des Moines Prior to February 1, 2009 but were inadvertently omitted from the approval list submitted to City Council on February 23, 2009.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Tax abatement upon property with a claimed value of \$886,238.00.

- Taxes are generated in the first year from the land value, but the improvement value will be forthcoming when the \$886,238.00 comes on the tax rolls after abatement ends.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

There is only a two-year grace period in which an applicant can file for abatement without losing time from the maximum time abatement is allowed. The applicant for 2521 Kingman Blvd. did not timely file the abatement application until this year and therefore can only receive abatement for the number of years remaining on the schedule chosen. Therefore, this application should be approved only for the time remaining on the chosen abatement schedule.

The other application for 1001 Cherry Street was timely filed and should be approved for the full amount of time allowed by the chosen abatement schedule. This application was inadvertently omitted from the applications approved by City Council on February 23, 2009.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 23, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-278

Action: Approving 392 Tax Abatement applications for additional value added by improvements made in 2008. (Council Communication No. 09-124) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion carried 7-0.

Date: February 23, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-279

Action: Approving Tax Abatement applications for additional value added by improvements completed in 2003 and 2005 for 2521 Kingman Boulevard and 1701 Gillette Street. (Council Communication No. 09-125) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion carried 7-0.

Date: February 9, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-179

Action: Approving 183 Tax Abatement applications for the additional value added by improvements made during 2008. (Council Communication No. 09-052) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

The tax abatement program on new improvements currently ends on December 31, 2011, unless the City Council extends the program beyond that date. Any application received by February 1, 2012, and approved by the City Council will receive abatement for the number of years applied for. It is anticipated that there will be numerous submittals of tax abatement applications on a yearly basis until the program ends.

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