

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: September 12, 2016
	Agenda Item No. 49 Roll Call No. <u>16-1526</u> Communication No. <u>16-498</u> Submitted by: Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of an amendment to the development agreement with the 6th Avenue Corridor, Inc. (6AC) for the acquisition and demolition of the property located at 1714 6th Avenue.

SYNOPSIS:

The 6AC has requested assistance to acquire and demolish the property at 1714 6th Avenue. The elimination of blighted properties has been identified as a top priority for the 6AC. Once the site is cleared it will be marketed for appropriate redevelopment to further 6AC’s Main Street mission. The amendment is necessary because demolition and asbestos abatement bids were higher than expected, thus increasing the overall cost of the project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$200,000

Funding Source: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Implementation Funds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The property at 1714 6th Avenue is currently owned by Urban Dreams Inc. The office buildings used to be the home of Mid-City Vision Coalition. The property has been vacant for a number of years and is in poor condition.
- Elimination of blighted property is a top priority of the 6AC. 6AC is requesting assistance to acquire and demolish the property to make way for appropriate redevelopment. The 6AC has negotiated a sale agreement with Urban Dreams for a purchase price of \$80,000.
- Demolition and asbestos abatement bids have been received and are higher than expected. This has increased the overall project cost to nearly \$200,000, which is significantly higher than the \$150,000 that was allocated in the original development agreement.
- Once the site has been cleared, the 6AC will work with the City and the River Bend Neighborhood Association to market the site for redevelopment.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 11, 2016

Roll Call Number: [16-1130](#)

Action: [Approval](#) of a development agreement with 6th Avenue Corridor, Inc. (6AC) for the acquisition and demolition of the property located at 1714 6th Avenue. ([Council Communication No. 16-380](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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