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	Agenda Item No.	17
	Roll Call No.	<u>16-1813</u>
	Communication No.	<u>16-606</u>
	Submitted by:	Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association boundary change and expansion.

SYNOPSIS:

The Beaverdale Neighborhood Association has submitted a request to expand the neighborhood boundaries to include the area that is currently known as the Meredith Neighborhood. The Meredith Neighborhood has been experiencing decreasing participation within its association. In order to maintain participation in a Recognized Neighborhood Association, leaders of the Meredith Neighborhood reached out to the Beaverdale board regarding a possible merger. After a series of public meetings the two (2) neighborhood association boards voted to support the expansion of the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association to include the Meredith Neighborhood.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Since November 9, 1993, over 50 neighborhood organizations have received recognition from the Des Moines City Council according to the Neighborhood Recognition Policy.
- The Beaverdale Neighborhood Association has submitted a request to expand their neighborhood boundaries to include the area currently known as the Meredith Neighborhood. The expansion area does not include the properties north of Aurora Avenue that are located along the east side of Merle Hay Road. Those properties are proposed to become a part of the Merle Hay Neighborhood Association.
- The Meredith Neighborhood has been experiencing decreasing participation within its association. In order to maintain participation in a Recognized Neighborhood Association, Meredith reached out to Beaverdale regarding a possible merger. After a series of public meetings the two (2) neighborhood association boards voted to support the expansion of the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association to include the Meredith Neighborhood.
- A map showing the revised neighborhood boundaries for Beaverdale Neighborhood Association is included with the Council packet.

- The Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) considered this request at their meeting on October 5, 2016 and voted 10-0 to recommend to City Council that the expansion request be approved.
- During their discussion of the possible expansion, the NRB and City staff agreed that the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association consider allowing the Meredith Neighborhood Association to start up and reorganize again if there is future interest from a large number of residents within their boundaries as this is a large geographic area.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: October 5, 2016

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Motion to Approve and Recommend to City Council the Beaverdale Neighborhood Expansion; Motion passed (10-0).

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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