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| CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER | Number: | 21-460 | Meeting: | October 18, 2021 |
| | Agenda Item: | 20 | Roll Call: | 21-1557 |
| | Submitted by: | Erin Olson-Douglas, Development Services Department Director | | |

AGENDA HEADING:

Set date of public hearing on the proposed Douglas Avenue Urban Renewal Plan.

SYNOPSIS:

This roll call sets the date of public hearing on the proposed Douglas Avenue Urban Renewal Plan for the December 6, 2021, City Council meeting and authorizes the required consultation meeting with representatives from Polk County, Des Moines Public Schools, Des Moines Area Community College, and Des Moines Area Regional Transit (DART).

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the approval of this plan. The activities and projects that may be assisted by this Urban Renewal Plan and tax increment revenues are addressed in the plan text and are subject to separate Council action.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- This Urban Renewal Area consists of approximately 105-acres and is generally located at the intersection of Douglas Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr Parkway. The area extends to the west on Douglas Avenue to Lower Beaver Road and to the east along Euclid Avenue to the Des Moines River. It extends north and south along Martin Luther King Jr Parkway from Urbandale Avenue to Lynner Drive.
- The Plan Area includes properties with direct frontage on Douglas Avenue, Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway, and Euclid Avenue and incorporates elements of two (2) Recognized Neighborhood Associations (Lower Beaver and Prospect Park).
- The purpose of the Douglas Avenue Urban Renewal Plan is to encourage the removal of and redevelopment of blighted, obsolete, and underutilized property within the Urban Renewal Area, to facilitate the development and re-development of commercial, mixed use and residential uses, to create and retain jobs in the City of Des Moines, to provide a diversity of housing options, and to activate new economic investment leading to increased taxable valuation.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Urban Design Review Board review and make recommendations on the proposed plan.
- Taxing entities consultation meeting.
- Plan and Zoning Commission review and make recommendations on the proposed plan.
- City Council conduct public hearing on the proposed plan.

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