

★ **Roll Call Number**

Agenda Item Number

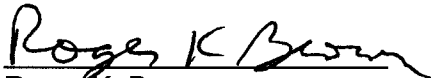
69C

Date April 21, 2008

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at a public hearing held on April 3, 2008, its members voted 14-0 in support of a motion to recommend approval of the Superblock Master Plan.

MOVED by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file.

FORM APPROVED:

  
 Roger K. Brown  
 Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
MAHAFFEY				
MEYER				
VLASSIS				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Mayor

**CERTIFICATE**

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 City Clerk

April 21, 2008

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Des Moines, Iowa

**Members:**

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at their meeting held April 3, 2008, the following action was taken:

**COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

After public hearing, the members voted 14-0 as follows:

Commission Action:	Yes	Nays	Pass	Absent
Leisha Barcus	X			
JoAnne Corigliano	X			
David Cupp	X			
Shirley Daniels	X			
Dann Flaherty	X			
Bruce Heilman	X			
Jeffrey Johannsen	X			
Greg Jones	X			
Frances Koontz	X			
Kaye Lozier	X			
Brian Millard	X			
Mike Simonson	X			
Kent Sovern	X			
Tim Urban				X
Marc Wallace	X			

in support of a motion to recommend approval of the Superblock Master Plan. The Commission also established a committee to address the implementation of the Superblock Master Plan through appropriate amendments to the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Plan and to the Zoning Map.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND BASIS FOR APPROVAL**

Staff recommends approval of the Superblock Master Plan and establishment of a subcommittee to address initiating future related implementation items such as amendments to the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan and necessary rezonings.

**STAFF REPORT**

On August 6, 2007, by Roll Call No. 07-1559, City Council established a SuperBlock Technical Committee and Steering Committee. The objective of the SuperBlock Master Plan is to provide for the expansion of the Blank Park Zoo while considering the needs of other area attractions and facilities, including Fort Des Moines Park, A.H. Blank Golf Course, Fort Des Moines Museum and Education Center, South Suburban YMCA, McCombs Middle School, Studebaker Elementary School, Southridge Mall, and other area businesses.



CITY PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION  
ARMORY BUILDING  
602 ROBERT D. RAY DRIVE  
DES MOINES, IOWA 50309 -1881  
(515) 283-4182

ALL-AMERICA CITY  
1949, 1976, 1981  
2003

The adopted vision is to develop a plan that has consensus support of the stakeholders and uses the Zoo and other area attractions to stimulate economic and social growth in South Des Moines while developing a signature sustainable green project.

The SuperBlock Steering and Technical Committees have developed a conceptual Master Plan that fulfills the stated objective and vision. A joint Steering and Technical Committee meeting was held on February 27, 2008, during this meeting, attending Steering Committee members voted 14-0 in favor of moving the conceptual SuperBlock Master Plan forward. On March 10, 2008, the City Council received and filed the Master Plan and referred it to the Commission and the Parks and Recreation Board. In addition to the Plan and Zoning Commission, during the next several weeks, the Plan will go before the Des Moines Public Schools School Board, Polk County Conservation Board, Polk County Board of Supervisors, Blank Park Zoo Foundation, and Park and Recreation Board for approval.

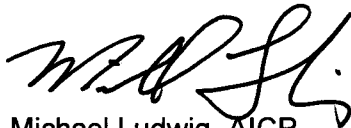
## **SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

*There was no discussion on this item.*

Kent Sovern: Moved approval of the Superblock Master Plan and establishment of a subcommittee to address initiating future related implementation items such as amendments to the Des Moines' 2020 Community Character Plan and necessary rezonings.

Motion passed 14-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Ludwig, AICP  
Planning Administrator

MGL:dfa

Attachment