

Date June 4, 2007

AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR THE FUTURE EXPANSION OF GLENDALE AND WOODLAND CEMETERIES BY GIFT OR NEGOTIATION

WHEREAS, the Cemetery Division of the Park and Recreation Department has developed a long range plan to expand both the Glendale Cemetery and the Woodland Cemetery properties, subject to funding availability through the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the long range plan for expansion of the Glendale Cemetery includes extending the entire West property line to 55th Street, eventually requiring the acquisition and removal of nine (9) remaining residential properties along 55th Street between University Avenue and Franklin Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the long range plan for expansion of the Woodland Cemetery includes extending the North property line of the St. Ambrose section of the Woodland Cemetery property to Olive Avenue, eventually requiring the acquisition and removal of four (4) residential properties and six (6) vacant lots along Olive Avenue from 22nd Street to Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these properties will allow the cemeteries to expand on their respective sites and the surrounding cemetery property that could not be accomplished without ownership of these properties, and cemetery management has multiple options available to develop the areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

1. That the City's Real Estate Division is authorized to contact current property owners to determine their willingness to participate in a voluntary purchase or gift of their property and negotiate terms and costs subject to Legal Department review and approval, CIP funding availability and final City Council approval.

Moved by _____ to adopt.

(Council Communication No. 07 - 343)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Glenna K. Frank Assistant City Attorney

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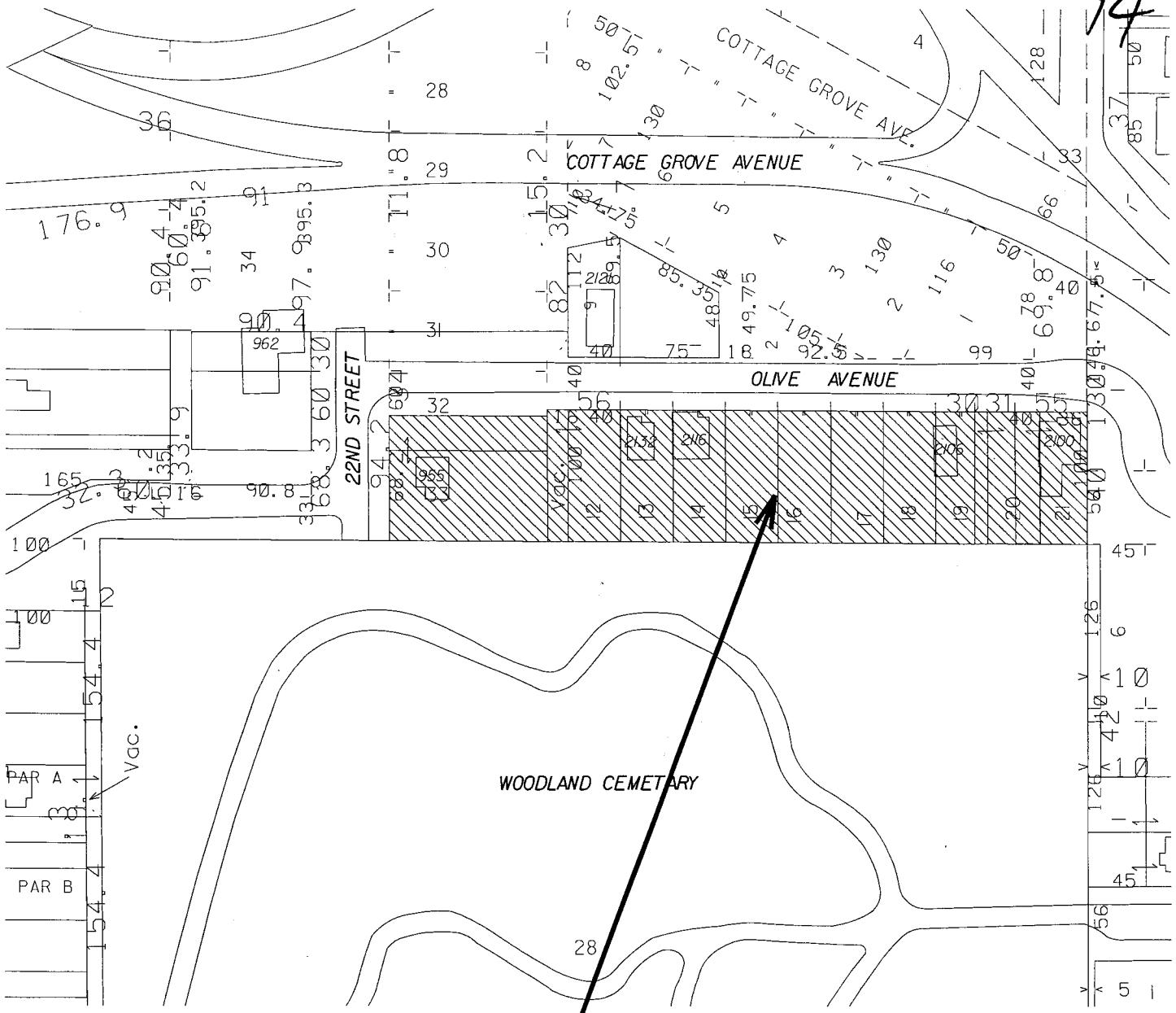
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CERTIFICATE

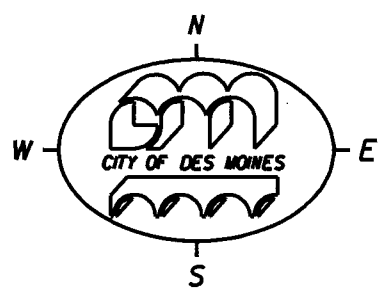
I, JODY WITMER, Chief Deputy City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

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

Chief Deputy City Clerk



PROPERTY LOCATIONS



**PROPERTY ACQUISITION
WOODLAND CEMETARY EXPANSION**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy

