

Date June 8, 2009

**APPROVING RECOMMENDATION FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION BOARD (NRB) REGARDING REMOVAL OF THE GRAY'S WOODS AND KIRKWOOD GLEN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS FROM THE LIST OF RECOGNIZED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS.**

WHEREAS, on May 24, 1993 by Roll Call No. 93-2026, the City Council approved the Neighborhood Recognition Policy (the "Policy") which establishes procedures for the formal recognition of neighborhood associations by the City of Des Moines, and authorizes recognized neighborhoods to advise the City on issues of concern; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy, Recognized neighborhoods are required to furnish certain information to the Community Development Department and the Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) on an annual basis. The most recent survey was mailed to all recognized neighborhoods on January 22, 2009 and responses were due no later than March 3, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Gray's Woods Neighborhood Association (GWNA) contacted staff and indicated that the GWNA is no longer active and there is no interest in retaining its recognized status; and

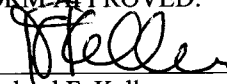
WHEREAS, the Kirkwood Glen Neighborhood Association (KGNA) did not respond to the survey, which is required to maintain recognized status. When contacted by Community Development staff, the KGNA president indicated that the KGNA is no longer active and there is no interest in retaining its recognized status; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy, on June 3, 2009, the NRB voted to recommend to the City Council that the City of Des Moines remove Gray's Woods and Kirkwood Glen Neighborhood Associations from the list of recognized neighborhood associations. NRB's letter to the Mayor and Members of the City Council conveying its recommendation is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Gray's Woods and Kirkwood Glen Neighborhood Associations be and are hereby removed from the list of recognized neighborhoods effective immediately.

(Council Communication Number 09 - 363 )

FORM APPROVED:

  
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 Michael F. Kelley  
 Assistant City Attorney

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
HENSLEY				
KIERNAN				
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MEYER				
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 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.

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 City Clerk

# NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION BOARD

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June 4, 2009

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

At our June 3, 2009 meeting, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board voted to derecognize the Gray's Woods and Kirkwood Glen Neighborhood Associations. The neighborhoods did not respond to the City's Annual Survey, which is required to be a Recognized Neighborhood by the City of Des Moines. Staff indicated that they have been in communication with members of the two organizations, who acknowledged that they no longer wish to be recognized by the City of Des Moines. Therefore, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board recommends that the City Council take action to remove Gray's Woods and Kirkwood Glen from the City's Recognized Neighborhood list.

Sincerely,



Jean Minahan, Chair  
Neighborhood Revitalization Board