

Date July 27, 2009

**APPOINTMENT OF TERRANCE N. VORBRICH TO
SIXTH AVENUE MAIN STREET BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2009 by Roll Call No. 09-503, the City Council duly resolved to participate in and provide an economic development grant of \$30,000 to the Urban Neighborhood District Program; and

WHEREAS, the River Bend and Cheatom Park Neighborhood Associations' application to the State of Iowa for consideration of Sixth Avenue as an Urban Main Street has been accepted; and

WHEREAS, the City is entitled to name a representative on the local Urban Neighborhood District governing board of directors; and

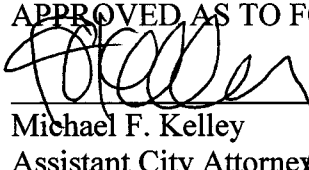
WHEREAS, the City's financial support for the Urban Neighborhood District Program and participation on the governing board furthers the goal of economic revitalization of the River Bend and Cheatom Park neighborhoods by helping preserve and rehabilitate historic buildings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that Terrance N. Vorbrich, Economic Development Coordinator, is hereby appointed to the Sixth Avenue Main Street board of directors and shall represent the City on all matters coming before the board.

(Council Communication No. 09- **497** Attached)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by _____ to adopt.



Michael F. Kelley
Assistant City Attorney

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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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk



July 13, 2009

Terry Vorbrich, Economic Development Coordinator
City of Des Moines Office of Economic Development
400 Robert D. Ray Drive
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Terry,

On behalf of the River Bend Neighborhood Association Board I would like to thank the City of Des Moines for its continued support of economic revitalization and historic preservation within the Cheatom Park and River Bend neighborhoods.

As you are undoubtedly aware, the Sixth Avenue Corridor received the Urban Main Street designation in May; receiving the highest score of all of the Urban Main Street applicants. Since this designation, our business and community members have been working diligently on organizing a selection committee to hire an executive director for the program and will be submitting a recommendation to approve a Main Street Board of Directors to the River Bend Neighborhood Association in the following weeks. There is a reserved place on our Board for a staff person from the City.

The River Bend Neighborhood Association's role will function like a parent organization to the Main Street Program until it has received 501(c)3 status. Once received, the 6th Avenue Main Street will function as a non-profit public-private partnership.

Again, River Bend Neighborhood Association along with the business owners and neighbors from River Bend and Cheatom Park are excited about the City of Des Moines involvement in Main Street and look forward to working together in the future. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact me via Aaron Todd at 515-720-1765.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeanne Johnson".

Jeanne Johnson
President