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Date September 25, 2006

RESOLUTION DENYING REQUEST TO APPLY TAX ABATEMENT
RETROACTIVELY TO TAXES ALREADY LEVIED
(2608 Driftwood Avenue)

WHEREAS, the applicant commenced construction of a single family dwelling at 2608 Driftwood Avenue in 2002, such construction was continuing in 2005, and no final inspection has yet occurred; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously approved tax abatement for the value added to 2608 Driftwood Avenue by the improvements completed through January 1, 2006, to be applied to the taxes due commencing in fiscal year 2007/08; and,

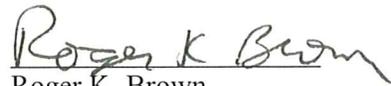
WHEREAS, the applicant is now seeking to have the tax abatement applied retroactively to taxes already levied upon the partially completed improvements existing on January 1st of 2005 and prior years; and,

WHEREAS, the request for retroactive application of the tax abatement has been received, reviewed and recommended for denial by City staff for the reasons identified in the accompanying council communication.

(Council Communication No. 06- 600)

MOVED by _____ to DENY retroactive application of tax abatement for 2608 Driftwood Avenue for the reasons set forth in the accompany council communication.

FORM APPROVED:


Roger K. Brown
Assistant City Attorney

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.

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

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk

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9-31-06

I have been asked to send this letter to Mr. Phil Pourman per our telephone conversation concerning tax abatement on my property at 2608 Driftwood, Des Moines, IA.

I swear under oath that I returned the tax abatement form when I paid for my building permit, the construction of my home was delayed for a period of time, which it is my belief that the paperwork was not forwarded along as the project finally proceeded.

In any case I DID file the tax abatement forms upon start of construction, and because of the extreme amount of time between the filing and now, I can't find my copy of the filing.

The first I was aware of the city not implementing the tax abatement was when I got a notice of tax sale last year on my property, when I contacted the city, I was told they had no record of the filing and it was out of there hands and there was nothing I could do about it.

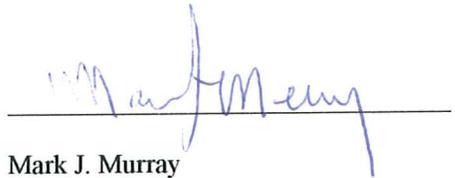
I paid the approximately \$3000.00 in taxes, that should have been abated, which caused EXREEM FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ON MY FAMILY BEING A SINGLE PARENT RAISING TWO CHILDREN.

When I paid the taxes I filed the tax abatement form again, and was MY UNDERSTANDING that was the end of it until now again I get a non-abated tax statement for payment in the mail. Now I find out that the abatement won't kick in until NEXT year.

Mr. Pourman told me on the phone to write this letter and he would take it in front of the city council and ask that the abatement be implemented.

I understand that having my copy of the filing would have cured my current problem, but I am asking for this consideration for the following reasons:

1. I did file the abaitment form on time upon paying for the building permit, even though I can't find my record of such.
2. EXTREEM FINANCIAL HARDSHIP because I didn't plan on paying the last \$3000. For taxes and I DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY AGAIN. I am currently out of work.
3. I did build new construction that does qualify for the abatement, but I had to already pay the first year that qualified not to pay.
4. Mr. Phil Pourman at the city assessors office said he would ask the city council to consider doing this in my case.
5. I have built other houses in Des Moines instead of other city's, because of the abatement, which is what the abatement is supposed to attract. And I would like to continue doing so.



Mark J. Murray
2608 Driftwood
Des Moines, IA

326-5923

TAX 2005-00957

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APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT UNDER THE DES MOINES CITY-WIDE URBAN REVITALIZATION PLAN



This application must be filed with the City by the 1st Working Day in February

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 2608 Driftwood

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY LOT 3 THREE LAKES ESTATE PLAT 1

TITLE HOLDER OR CONTRACT BUYERS Mark Murray

ADDRESS OF OWNER (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)

PHONE NUMBER HOME 515-285-9924 WORK

PROPOSED PROPERTY USE WILL THE PROPERTY BE? RESIDENTIAL RENTAL COMMERCIAL OWNER-OCCUPIED INDUSTRIAL (CIRCLE ONE) (CIRCLE ONE) (CIRCLE ONE)

WILL THE PROPERTY BE SERVED BY CITY SEWER? YES NO

SPECIFY IMPROVEMENTS New Const.

ESTIMATED OR ACTUAL DATE OF COMPLETION 1-1-05

ESTIMATED OR ACTUAL COST OF IMPROVEMENTS 225000

TAX EXEMPTION SCHEDULE 1 2 3 4A 4B (CIRCLE ONE) (SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR APPLICABLE TAX SCHEDULES)

IF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING NUMBER OF UNITS 1

TENANTS OCCUPYING THE BUILDING WHEN PURCHASED (OR PRESENT TENANTS IF UNKNOWN) / DATE OF TENANT OCCUPANCY / RELOCATION BENEFITS RECEIVED BY ELIGIBLE TENANTS / ATTACH LIST OF BUILDINGS BEING DEMOLISHED, IF ANY (TO BE CONTINUED ON A SEPARATE PAGE IF NECESSARY)

Table with 3 columns: TENANT, DATE OF OCCUPANCY, RELOCATION BENEFITS

I Certify That the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE [Signature] DATE 1-30-06

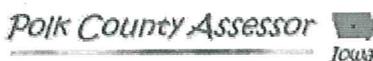
FOR AGENCY USE ONLY THE ABOVE APPLICATION IS/IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY-WIDE URBAN REVITALIZATION PLAN. CONSTRUCTION PERMIT NO. (S) 26020201517 DATE ISSUED 6-11-05 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DATE RELOCATION BENEFITS PAID CITY RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT DATE DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL DATE (AS ATTESTED BY THE CITY CLERK) PRESENT ASSESSED VALUE ASSESSED VALUE WITH IMPROVEMENTS ELIGIBLE OR NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TAX ABATEMENT POLK COUNTY ASSESSOR DATE

WHEN COMPLETED RETURN TO: TAX ABATEMENT, PERMIT AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER 602 ROBERT D. RAY DR. (FORMERLY E. 1ST STREET), DES MOINES, IA 50309



FILING THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE APPROVAL

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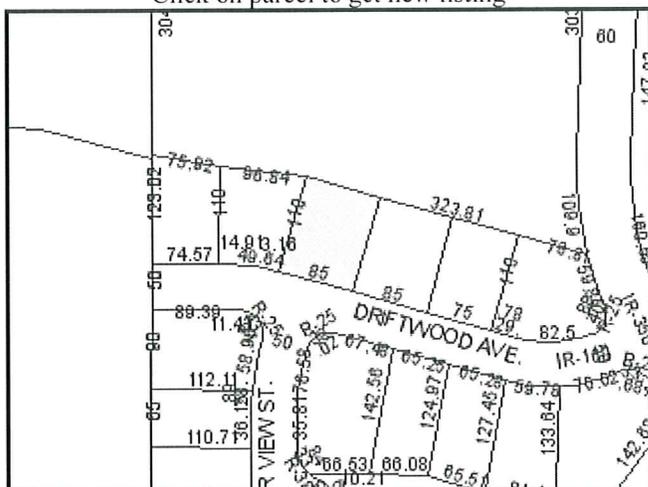


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District/Parcel	GeoParcel	Map	Nbhd	Jurisdiction	Status
120/05882-103-000	7824-36-201-004	A187	DM97/E	DES MOINES	ACTIVE
School District	Tax Increment Finance District	Bond/Fire/Sewer/Cemetery			
1/Des Moines					
Street Address			City State Zipcode		
2608 DRIFTWOOD AVE			DES MOINES IA 50320		

Click on parcel to get new listing

Get Bigger Map



Approximate date of photo 04/12/2006

Mailing Address
MARK MURRAY 2608 DRIFTWOOD AVE DES MOINES, IA 50320-6506

Legal Description
LOT 3 THREE LAKES ESTATES PLAT 1

Ownership	Name	Transfer	Book/Page	RevStamps
Title Holder #1	MURRAY, MARK	05/29/2002	9161/851	48.80

Assessment	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	AgBd	Total
Current	Residential	Full	24,200	124,800	0	149,000
		Adj	19,360	0	0	19,360

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Abatement	J/Urban Revitalization	added value 124,800 + 4,840	Plan 4B	4,840	124,800	2006-2010
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Market Adjusted Cost Report Assessment Roll Notice Estimate Taxes Polk County Treasurer Tax
Information Pay Taxes

Taxable Value Credit	Name	Number	Info
Pending Homestead	MURRAY, MARK	181092	

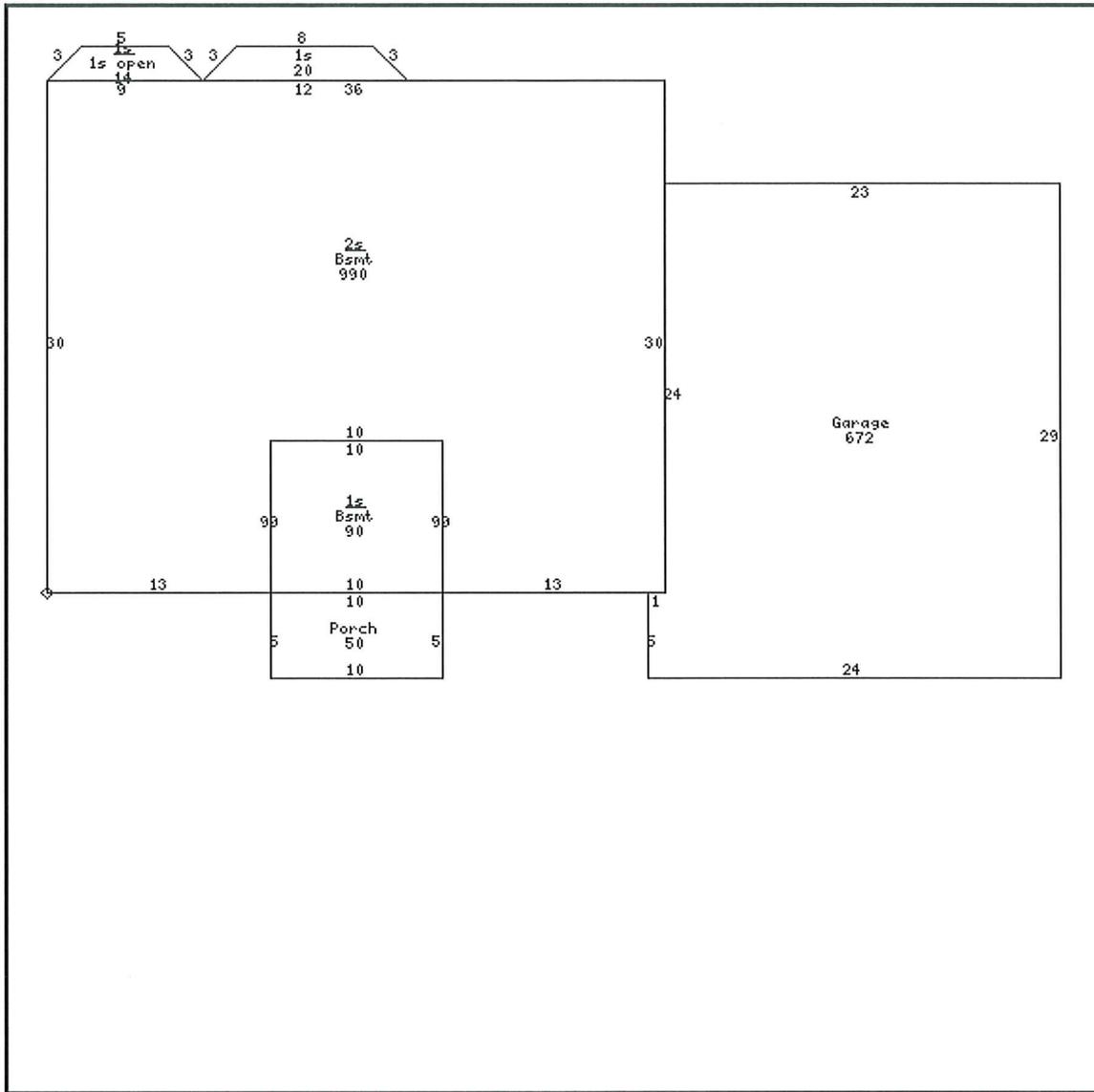
Zoning	Description	SF	Assessor Zoning
PUD	Planned Unit Development	9350	Other

Source: City of Des Moines Community Development **Published:** 05/09/2006 **Contact:** Planning and Urban
Design 515 283-4200

Land					
SQUARE FEET	9,350	FRONTAGE	85	DEPTH	110
ACRES	0.2150	YR PLATTED	1998	SHAPE	RC/Rectangle
TOPOGRAPHY	N/Normal				

Residence # 1					
OCCUPANCY	SF/Single Family	RESID TYPE	PR/Partial Construction	BLDG STYLE	CV/Conventional
YEAR BUILT	2002	# FAMILIES	1	GRADE	3
GRADE ADJUST	+00	CONDITION	NM/Normal	%COMPLETE	80
TSFLA	2,104	MAIN LV AREA	1,100	UPPR LV AREA	1,004
ATT GAR AREA	672	BSMT AREA	1,080	OPEN PORCH	50
FOUNDATION	P/Poured Concrete	EXT WALL TYP	CC/Concrete Board	ROOF TYPE	GB/Gable
ROOF MATERL	A/Asphalt Shingle	HEATING	A/Gas Forced Air	AIR COND	100
WALKOUT BSMT	36	BEDROOMS	4	ROOMS	8

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Seller	Buyer	Sale Date	Sale Price	Instrument	Book/Page
CARLSON, PAUL F	MURRAY, MARK	05/20/2002	31,000	D/Deed	9161/851
GARRISON, KEVIN	CARLSON, PAUL F.	01/15/2002	26,000	D/Deed	9084/382
WYCKOFF, ANDREW K	GARRISON, KEVIN	06/17/2001	26,000	C/Contract	8876/905
ERICKSON DEVELOPMENT, INC	WYCKOFF, ANDREW	08/18/1999	27,000	D/Deed	8316/514

Year	Type	Status	Application	Permit/Pickup Description
Current	P/Permit	TW/To Work	02/16/2006	AL/Alterations REMODEL Cost Estimate 500
Current	P/Permit	TW/To Work	08/11/2003	AL/Alterations MISC Cost Estimate 41450
Current	P/Permit	TW/To Work	06/24/2002	NC/Construction SINGLE FAMILY
2006	P/Permit	PR/Partial	08/11/2003	AL/MISC

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2006	P/Permit	PR/Partial	06/24/2002	NC/SINGLE FAMILY
2005	P/Permit	PP/Pass/Partial	08/11/2003	AL/MISC
2005	P/Permit	PP/Pass/Partial	06/24/2002	NC/SINGLE FAMILY
2004	P/Permit	PR/Partial	08/11/2003	AL/MISC
2004	P/Permit	PR/Partial	06/24/2002	NC/SINGLE FAMILY
2003	P/Permit	PR/Partial	06/24/2002	NC/SINGLE FAMILY
2002	U/Pickup	CP/Complete	08/31/2001	RV/PLAT LAW EXPIRED

Year	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	AgBd	Total
2006	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	24,200	124,800	0	149,000
			Adj	19,360	0	0	19,360
2005	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	24,200	118,100	0	142,300
2004	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	23,250	71,250	0	94,500
2003	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	23,250	15,000	0	38,250
2002	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	22,600	0	0	22,600
2001	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	1,180	0	0	1,180
1999	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	1,180	0	0	1,180
1998	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	1,180	0	0	1,180
1998	Was Prior Year	Residential	Full	1,180	0	0	1,180

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