

Date..... November 21, 2011

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THREE NEW NEIGHBORHOODS FOR INCLUSION  
 IN THE CITY'S NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM  
 (Lower Beaver, Grays Lake, and Martin Luther King Jr. Park)

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2011, Staff notified the City Council of the upcoming neighborhood selection process via City Council Workshop; and

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board, in conjunction with City and County staff, has solicited and reviewed applications for the Neighborhood Revitalization Program from potential Recognized Neighborhoods and heard presentations on October 12, 2011 from the seven neighborhoods (Grays Lake, Historic East Village, Lower Beaver, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Sheridan Gardens, Southwestern Hills, and Valley High Manner) that applied for designation; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2011, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board approved the staff recommendation supporting the selection of Lower Beaver, Grays Lake, and Martin Luther King Jr. Park for inclusion as Designated Neighborhoods in the Neighborhood Revitalization Program; and,

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2011, the Polk County Board of Supervisors received both the staff and the Neighborhood Revitalization Board's recommendations, and held a work session regarding neighborhood selection.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that, effective January 1, 2012, the Lower Beaver, Grays Lake, and Martin Luther King Jr. Park Neighborhoods shall be included as Designated Neighborhoods in the Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

MOVED by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

( Council Communication No. 11- 700 )

By: Roger K Brown  
 Roger K. Brown, 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

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 Mayor

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 City Clerk



**Community Development Department  
Neighborhood Revitalization Board**

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November 16, 2011

The Honorable Mayor,  
Members of the City Council and  
The Polk County Board of Supervisors

RE: 2011 Neighborhood Selection

Over the last several months, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board has been actively engaged with staff in the neighborhood selection process. This year, applications were accepted from Recognized neighborhoods as well as from Charter neighborhoods. At two special meetings on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011, the Board heard presentations from the seven Recognized and seven Charter neighborhoods that submitted applications. The Recognized neighborhood applicants included Grays Lake, Historic East Village, Lower Beaver, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Sheridan Gardens, Southwestern Hills, and Valley High Manor. The Charter neighborhood applicants included Beaverdale, Capitol East, Capitol Park, Fairgrounds, Gray's Woods, River Bend, and Woodland Heights.

At our meeting on November 2, 2011, the Neighborhood Revitalization Board considered two recommendations from staff. First, to select three Recognized neighborhoods to become Designated under the Neighborhood Revitalization Program: Lower Beaver, Grays Lake, and Martin Luther King Jr. Park. In addition, staff recommended opening NFC lending to the entire Sheridan Gardens neighborhood for a period of two years. Second, to select five Charter neighborhoods for a pilot program to update their original plans: Beaverdale, Woodland Heights, Capitol East, Capitol Park, and River Bend. Staff suggested that River Bend go through a special neighborhood-led planning process, given the professional expertise and ability of members of the neighborhood association.

The Board approved both staff recommendations as written, and is pleased to forward them on to City Council and the Polk County Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Thank you for your continued support of and commitment to improving Des Moines through the Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

Sincerely,

Nadine Hogate, Chairperson  
Neighborhood Revitalization Board