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APPROVING RECOMMENDATION FROM THE
 NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION BOARD (NRB) REGARDING REMOVAL OF
 GARTON WEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 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 neighborhood associations on February 6, 2008 and responses were due no later than March 3, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Garton West Neighborhood Association was the only neighborhood group that did not respond to the survey. When contacted by Community Development staff, former officers of the group indicated that the Garton West Neighborhood Association is no longer active and there is no interest in retaining its recognized neighborhood status; and

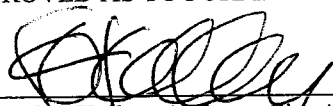
WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy, on May 7, 2008, the NRB voted to recommend to the City Council that the City of Des Moines remove Garton West Neighborhood Association from the list of recognized neighborhood associations. NRB's letter to the Mayor and Members of the City Council conveying its recommendation is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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

1. Because of its failure to comply with the Neighborhood Recognition Policy and its expressed lack of interest in continuing as a Recognized Neighborhood, Garton West Neighborhood Association is no longer a Recognized Neighborhood and is hereby removed from the list of Recognized Neighborhood Associations.
2. The Community Development Director is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary and proper to implement this resolution.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Moved by Vlassis to adopt.


 Michael F. Kelley, Assistant City Attorney

(Council Communication No. 08-280)

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
KIERNAN	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
VLASSIS	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED


 T. M. Franklin, 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.


 Diane Rauh, City Clerk