

★ Roll Call Number

09-593

Agenda Item Number

Ex. 1

Date April 6, 2009

WHEREAS, by Roll Call No. 07-1559 of August 6, 2007, the City Council of the City of Des Moines initiated the establishment of a "SuperBlock" technical committee and steering committee to develop a master plan for the area bounded by Army Post Road, County Line Road, S.W. 9th Street and S.E. 5th Street ("SuperBlock") for consideration by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, by Roll Call No. 08-743 of April 21, 2008, the City Council approved the conceptual "SuperBlock" master plan and directed that the City Manager take appropriate steps to begin implementation of the master plan; and

WHEREAS, the objective of the SuperBlock master plan is to allow for the expansion of the Blank Park Zoo while considering the needs of other area attractions and facilities to stimulate economic and social growth in south Des Moines while developing a signature green sustainable project; and

WHEREAS, in the past several years, the City has annexed land within the SuperBlock and such annexed territories have been classified in the A-1 Agricultural Zoning district in accordance with Des Moines Municipal Code Section 134-278; and

WHEREAS, to ensure appropriate future development in the area of the SuperBlock, it is appropriate for the City Manager to consider appropriate zoning district classifications for all land within the SuperBlock and to consider appropriate revisions to existing zoning district regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the City Manager or his designee is hereby directed to study and report back to the City Council on appropriate zoning classifications for all land within the SuperBlock and on appropriate amendments to zoning district regulations to ensure future development that is consistent with and in furtherance of the goals and objectives of the conceptual SuperBlock master plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Permit and Development Center staff is directed to not issue any building permit for the development of land within the SuperBlock unless such proposed development is in compliance with the applicable zoning classification regulations for such land.

SPONSORS: Mayor Cownie & Council Member Meyer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

*[Signature]*

Lawrence R. McDowell, Deputy City Attorney

Moved by Meyer to adopt; City Manager will report back at the June 8 Council Meeting.

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

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.

*[Signature]*  
Mayor

*[Signature]*  
City Clerk