



Roll Call Number

20-1661

Agenda Item Number

24

Date October 19, 2020

RESOLUTION APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO URBAN RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH NELSON DEVELOPMENT 1, LLC TO PURCHASE AND DEVELOP CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 418 EAST GRAND AVENUE IN THE METRO CENTER URBAN RENEWAL AREA

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2018, by Roll Call No. 18-1295, the City Council approved an Urban Renewal Agreement for Sale of Land for Private Redevelopment (“Development Agreement”) with Nelson Development 1, LLC, represented by Michael Nelson (President) (“Developer”), for sale of City-owned property located at the intersections of East 4th Street and East Grand Avenue, locally known as 418 E. Grand Avenue (Polk County Assessor District/Parcel Nos. 040/01839-002-001 and 040/01839-002)(collectively “Property”) and located in the East Village, for development in two phases consisting of a three-level parking structure with approximately 402 total parking spaces in Phase 1, and a 5-story mixed use building in Phase 2 with approximately 36,000 square feet of commercial, retail and office space on the ground floor and second story, and 105 residential apartment units on the upper three stories, in exchange for economic development assistance in the form of a forgivable loan toward purchase of the Phase 2 property as well as tax increment financing as described in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2020, by Roll Call No. 20-0073, the City Council approved the First Amendment to the Development Agreement extending the closing deadline for Developer’s acquisition of the Phase 2 property from November 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020 and incorporating a Minimum Assessment Agreement as Exhibit “G” to the Development Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Developer has been unable to close on the acquisition of the Phase 2 property in accordance with said deadline, as amended, due to delays associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and has asked for a further extension of said deadline, which also requires a delay to completion of construction of the Improvements and provision of economic development (TIF) assistance; and

WHEREAS, City Economic Development staff and the Developer have negotiated terms of a Second Amendment to the Development Agreement and Restated Declaration of Covenants, Restated Promissory Note and Restated Mortgage, all on file in the office of the City Clerk, extending the deadlines for Developer to acquire the Phase 2 property from March 1, 2020 to March 1, 2021; to complete construction of the Improvements from July 1, 2021 to November 1, 2022; and to revise related terms of and exhibits to the Development Agreement accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Second Amendment to the Urban Renewal Agreement and Exhibits “B”, “E”, and “F” thereto, are hereby approved; the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute said documents on behalf of the City of Des Moines and the City Clerk to attest to his signature; the City Manager or his designee(s) are authorized and directed to monitor compliance by the Developer with said Agreement as amended; and the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute any additional minor amendments to the Agreement and to return any substantive amendments to the Agreement to the City Council for consideration and approval.



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MOVED BY Boesen to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

CERTIFICATE

I, P. KAY CMELIK, 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.

J. M. Franklin Cownie
Mayor

APPROVED

P. Kay Cmelik
City Clerk