

**CITY OF MADISON
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TO: Members of the Community Development Block Grant Committee
FROM: Linda Horvath, Planning Division
DATE: May 25, 2011
SUBJECT: Amending Resolution RES-10-00642, ID 19049 to Expand Study Area and Public Participation Approach

At the onset of the Arbor Hills-Leopold Concentration Neighborhood Planning Process it was determined that collaboration between the City of Fitchburg and Town of Madison would benefit the overall neighborhood plan and improvement strategies for improving the quality of life of residents and businesses within this multi-jurisdictional area. Resolution 21867 would amend the original resolution to allow for:

- 1) Expanding the planning area to encompass a portion of CT 14.03, a residential area that is part of the greater Arbor Hills-Leopold neighborhood (See Attachments for Resolution 21867); and
- 2) Engaging residents and businesses residing in the City of Fitchburg and the Town of Madison through an extensive joint public participation process rather than a city appointed only steering committee.

Attached is a brief write-up of the planning process and timeline (See Attachments for Resolution 21867). Three Public Open Houses are planned as part of the public participation process. The first Public Open House is scheduled for June 23, 2011 where residents, businesses, and stakeholders from all three jurisdictions can provide input on the issues to address during the planning process. A stakeholder meeting of 35 attendees was conducted on May 9, 2011 and follow-up interviews will take place during the month of June.

A mid-range neighborhood plan (5-10 years) with specific recommendations and implementation strategies is the outcome of this process. After adoption of the neighborhood plan, policy makers will review the plan and determine if its recommendations can be implemented using City resources or through collaborative efforts with Town of Madison, City of Fitchburg, or other public and private entities.

Planning Division staff request adoption of Amending Resolution RES-10-00642, ID 21867 to allow for expanding the planning area and engaging residents and businesses through an extensive joint public participation process, rather than a city appointed only steering committee.

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