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TO: Plan Commission

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SUBJECT: City agencies ability to serve, and cost to serve, the proposed Cottage Grove Road Central Urban Service Area (CUSA) expansion area.

Background

Madison General Ordinances, 16.02 (Legistar #46730) requires the City agencies listed below to review and comment on City requests to expand the Central Urban Service Area (CUSA). These agencies are City Engineering, Traffic Engineering, Water Utility, Metro Transit, Parks Division, the Police Department and Fire Department. The Ordinance requires that the Planning Division prepare the application to expand the CUSA and submit it to the previously mentioned agencies. These agencies shall provide input regarding the City's ability to provide services to the proposed expansion area and the cost to do so. After receiving input from each of the above listed agencies, the Planning Division shall submit to the Plan Commission the proposed CUSA application, the input provided by the City agencies listed above, and a resolution authorizing the Planning Division to submit the application to the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission.

After giving due consideration of the input received from the agencies, the cost of providing services to the proposed expansion area and the recommendations of various City Plans (Comprehensive Plan and the Cottage Grove Road Neighborhood Development Plan), the Plan Commission shall advise the Common Council whether the City is able to serve the proposed expansion area. Upon receiving a recommendation from the Plan Commission, the Common Council shall consider whether the proposed CUSA expansion is consistent with the health, welfare and best interests of the City and act on the proposed authorizing resolution. The Planning Division shall submit the application to expand the CUSA if a majority of the members of the Common Council vote in favor of the proposed authorizing resolution.

Staff has identified a need to modify MGO 16.02 to allow for expedited authorization of Central Urban Service Area Amendment applications to CARPC for properties not in the CUSA, but in the City of Madison receiving city services except for sanitary sewer. CARPC has instituted a streamlined application process for these types of circumstances. Staff will be working with the City Attorney's Office to propose modifications to MGO 16.02 in the coming months.

CITY ENGINEERING

Ability to Provide Services

Currently this area is in the City of Madison, but not in the CUSA; therefore, the City cannot serve this area with sanitary sewer. Sanitary sewer is adjacent to the proposed amendment area in the Cottage Grove Road right-of-way and could serve the amendment area. Sanitary sewer from Sprecher Road could also be extended to serve the amendment area. All development will need to meet [MGO Chapter 37](#) requirements.

Cost to Provide Services

Streets

The amendment area is in the city limits, there is no additional cost to serve this area for Streets.

Sanitary

Properties in the amendment area could connect to existing sewer in the Cottage Grove Road right-of-way or sanitary sewer in Sprecher Road could be extended to serve the properties in the amendment area. Cost to connect to the sewer main is paid for by the property owner.

Stormwater

The amendment area is in the city limits, there is no additional cost to serve this area for the Stormwater Utility.

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Ability to Provide Services

The amendment area is in the city limits and Traffic Engineering Division provides services to the area.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

There is no additional cost to serve this area for Traffic Engineering.

METRO TRANSIT

Ability to Provide Services

The expansion area is served by Route C, which runs every 15 minutes on weekdays and weekends. The expansion area is within a quarter mile of Route D, which runs every 30 minutes on weekdays and weekends.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

There is no additional cost to serve the expansion area.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ability to Provide Services

The Police Department provides service to the amendment area from the East District.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

There is no additional cost to serve the expansion area.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Ability to Provide Services

The Fire Department provides fire and EMS service to the amendment area.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

There is no additional cost to provide services.

PARKS DIVISION

Ability to Provide Services

The Parks Division provides services to the expansion area.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

There is no additional cost to serve the expansion area.

WATER UTILITY

Ability to Provide Services

Public water service is available in the Cottage Grove Road right-of-way and the properties in the amendment area could connect to the 12-inch water main. The single-family property owners applied for and were granted a delayed connection with an expiration date of 12/30/2025.

Cost to Serve the Expansion Area

Cost to connect to the water main is paid for by the property owner.