



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Up to \$41,500 in Federal CDBG funds were previously approved for the planning process staffing as part of the Community Development Division 2013 Adopted Operating Budget. This resolution does not commit any funds for implementation, although traditionally the CDBG program has committed approximately 3-5% of its estimated annual entitlement funds for implementation of higher priority eligible projects.

Title

Authorizing the selection of a portion of Census Tract 21 as the focus for a concentration neighborhood planning process and the creation of an Ad-Hoc steering committee.

Body

WHEREAS the CDBG Committee and Office have traditionally partnered with the Plan Commission and Planning Division to identify eligible areas with opportunities where a neighborhood planning process could effectively guide future City and community activities;

WHEREAS the CDBG Committee has supported such a planning process with funds for the planning and a reserve of future funds for implementation of projects that address the higher priority goals and opportunities articulated in the plan adopted by the Common Council; and

WHEREAS the City of Madison's Comprehensive Plan adopted January 17, 2006 provides general goals, objectives, policies and implementation recommendations and generalized land use maps to guide the future growth and development of the City; and

WHEREAS the City of Madison's Comprehensive Plan recommends the preparation of neighborhood plans for established residential neighborhoods to provide greater detail on specific land uses, development intensity, and design characteristics that are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, or to propose amendments to the Plan; and

WHEREAS the planning study area is depicted on the attached map and includes a portion of Census Tract 21 with the exception to the area covered by the Northport-Warner Park Sherman Neighborhood Plan (adopted by the Common Council on November 3, 2009, Enactment No: Res-09-00906, Legislative File ID: 15282); and

WHEREAS this census tract meets the following criteria for selection of a census tract for such plans: 1) at least 51% of the households qualify as low and moderate income, 2) the tract meets certain quality of life trend indicators in the Neighborhood Indicators, 3) the City has not conducted such a process in this area since 1998, 4) other documents and sources suggest potential opportunities for positive and advance public action, and 5) some residents and businesses in the area have expressed interest in the development of an updated neighborhood plan to guide future activities; and

WHEREAS the CDBG Committee and the Common Council have adopted a Five Year Community and Neighborhood Development plan and an annual action plan that establishes a framework for the development of such a neighborhood plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Common Council adopt the recommendations of the CDBG Committee, the CD Office and the Planning Division to designate a portion of Census Tract 21 as the next area for concentration neighborhood planning, and direct the mayor to appoint a nine member Ad-Hoc steering

committee composed of two residents from the Emerson East Neighborhood, two residents from the Eken Park Neighborhood, one resident from the Superior Street area, two business representatives, and two at-large representatives plus one alternate each from the Emerson East and the Eken Park Neighborhoods to help oversee the development of an updated neighborhood plan to be introduced to the Common Council by April 2014.

NOTE: The Proposal describing the proposed plan and the CDBG Committee recommendation are available on file in the Council Office and in the CDD Offices.