

Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The City will not incur any costs as a result of Council approval of this resolution. The Council would need to approve any specific Commission funding recommendations for the projects.

Title

Establishing an ad hoc group to advise the CDBG Commission on projects to help implement higher priority goals in the adopted South Madison Neighborhood Plan.

Body

BACKGROUND:

The Common Council adopted the South Madison Neighborhood Plan in Spring 2005, after a five-year planning process. The usual follow-up would involve seeking the Steering Committee's additional project recommendations concerning the use of CDBG funds specifically reserved for that neighborhood to help implement the CDBG-eligible projects that address plan goals. Since many members of the Steering Committee have moved or resigned, the CDBG Commission reviewed a proposal from one of the former Steering Committee members and a district alder to use a special ad hoc group to review project ideas and make recommendations to the CDBG Commission for the use of the reserved funds. The proposed group would attempt to accomplish this task in two meetings, one to review the Plan and possible options, and a second to make a selection based on their review and a public hearing.

ACTION:

Whereas, the Common Council adopted a South Madison Neighborhood Plan developed by a Steering Committee, but the Steering Committee has virtually disbanded as a result of attrition, transfers, or relocations;

Whereas, the CDBG Commission would prefer to hear funding recommendations to address South Madison Plan priorities from neighborhood representatives and local elected officials;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Common Council establish an ad hoc group composed of Alders Bruer and Knox, Jeff Richter and Tom Thorstad (both former members of the Steering Committee), Laura Guttknecht (a member of the Park Street Partners and active in the Bay Creek/Greenbush area) and Ruth Ann Baugh (active in the Burr Oaks neighborhood) to review project concepts to address priorities within the adopted South Madison Neighborhood Plan, and make funding recommendations to the CDBG Commission to help implement portions of the Plan.