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Adoption of the Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan (B)

A resolution of the City of Gainesville, Florida approving the amended Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan; modifying and extending the boundaries of the Eastside Community Redevelopment Area; and providing an immediate effective date.

In January 2006, the City decided to update the Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan (adopted in 2001) including, if appropriate, the proposed expanded area. As part of the update to the Community Redevelopment Plan, the City retained Asset Property Disposition Inc. (APD), to investigate and document blight conditions in an area just south of the existing Community Redevelopment Area for possible inclusion. The Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan was prepared to not only update the existing Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan, but also to address the conditions of blight that were identified in the Expansion Area in the Findings of Necessity report, adopted by the City Commission on July 10, 2006.

The Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan is scheduled for approval by the Community Redevelopment Agency and scheduled to be transmitted to the City Commission on August 21, 2006.

A proposed copy of the Plan has been provided for review.

The proposed Plan includes objectives and initiatives to further redevelop and remove blight from the existing Community Redevelopment Area and the Expansion Area. Redevelopment objectives and initiatives outlined in the Plan include land use changes, economic development strategies, improvements to housing, utilities and services and transportation, and initiatives to create community pride and cohesiveness. Proposed redevelopment projects include sidewalk and pedestrian improvements, street improvements, drainage and environmental improvements, housing infill and rehabilitation, parks and recreation improvements, economic development/commercial infill, utility upgrades and improvements, neighborhood improvements (safety, identity and facilities), property assembly, strategic acquisitions, arterial roadway improvements (medians, crosswalks and sidewalks, signalization), transit improvements, and streetscape (landscape and aesthetic) improvements.

On August 10, 2006 the Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board reviewed the proposed Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan and recommended the Community Redevelopment Agency adopt the plan.

On August 21, 2006 the Community Redevelopment Agency reviewed the Eastside Community Redevelopment Plan with modifications and forwarded it to the City Commission for approval and to the taxing authorities.

None

The City Commission adopt the resolution.

Alternative Recommendation A: Adopt the resolution with modifications.

Alternative Recommendation B: Do not adopt the resolution.