



To: MAYOR & COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: IV. M.

From: Bill Neuendorf
Economic Development Manager

Action
Discussion
Information

Date: January 22, 2013

Subject: Resolution No. 2013- 10, Supporting Grant Application, Hennepin County HRA for Supplemental Transit-Oriented Development Funds, Edina Medical Plaza Project, 6500 France Avenue

Action Requested:

Adopt Resolution.

Information / Background:

Hennepin County offers competitive grant funding for new development projects that are located along transit corridors and designed in a way that encourage compact development that take advantage of existing transportation and utility infrastructure.

Grant funding can be awarded to aspects of the development that serve a public purpose, such as public plazas, pedestrian-scale lighting, bike racks, bus shelters, and other streetscaping.

The recently approved Edina Medical Plaza at 6500 France is designed in a manner that encourages pedestrian mobility and enhances the streetscape to increase the safety and attractiveness for pedestrians. It is located directly on a bus route, thus being eligible for consideration.

The private developer, Mount Development Company, is required to provide a resolution from the City that shows support for the grant application. If a grant is awarded from Hennepin County, the City will serve as a conduit to provide grant funds to the developer. The City is under no obligation, however to provide any grant funds from its own sources.

Attachments:

Resolution No. 2013-10

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-10

SUPPORTING A GRANT APPLICATION TO HENNEPIN COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (HCHRA) FOR SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT (TOD) FUNDS FOR THE EDINA MEDICAL PLAZA PROJECT – 6500 FRANCE AVENUE SOUTH

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Edina, Minnesota, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Edina is a city located within Hennepin County and therefore eligible to access and administer supplemental TOD grants; and

WHEREAS, Mount Development Company (the Developer) has completed plans to construct a five-story medical office building and adjacent four- or five-level parking structure (the Project) at 6500 France Avenue South, Edina Minnesota, 55435; and

WHEREAS, the Project contains a variety of design elements to encourage employees and clients to access the site by transit, walking or bicycling, in addition to driving; and

WHEREAS, the Project's site plan includes extensive improvements to encourage pedestrian movement to and through the site; and

WHEREAS, the City has granted final planning approval for the Project on December 5, 2012; and

WHEREAS the Project is located within the boundaries of the Southeast Edina Redevelopment Project Area, a certified redevelopment district established on September 29, 1977 with various modifications including those dated February 21, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Developer will prepare and submit an application for grant funding; and

WHEREAS the City has the institutional, managerial and financial capability to ensure adequate project and grant administration; and

WHEREAS the City certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the contract grant agreements; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council supports the submittal of the application in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 383B.77, Subd. 3. and authorizes the Mayor to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant, in the event that the project is awarded grant funding.

Adopted by the Edina City Council this 22nd day of January, 2013.

Attest: _____
Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) SS
CITY OF EDINA)

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, the undersigned duly appointed and acting City Clerk for the City of Edina do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Edina City Council at its Regular Meeting of January 22, 2013, and as recorded in the Minutes of said Regular Meeting.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said City this _____ day of _____, _____.

City Clerk