

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA

ITEM 96

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-133
MARCH 17, 1997 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
MEREDITH OFFICE PROJECT	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	SCOTT A. STRICKER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATOR

SYNOPSIS —

On the March 17, 1997, Council agenda is a roll call to approve the Final Landscape Design Plans for Parcels 7A and 7C of the Meredith Office Project. Parcel 7A is bounded by Grand Avenue on the north, 17th Street on the east, Locust Street on the south, and 18th Street on the west. Parcel 7C is bounded by Grand Avenue on the north, 15th Street on the east, Locust Street on the south and vacated 16th Street on the west. Parcel 7C will anchor the western edge of the proposed six-block Gateway Project site.

At its meeting of May 20, 1996, the City Council approved the schematic design plans for Parcels 7A and 7C and directed that the Final Landscape Design Plans for Parcels 7A and 7C be reviewed by the Architectural Advisory Committee and Urban Renewal Board and approved by the City Council prior to construction of improvements on the parcels.

FISCAL IMPACT —

There are no City expenditures associated with this action.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval is recommended.

BACKGROUND —

Architectural Advisory Committee Recommendation

At its meeting on November 19, 1996, the Architectural Advisory Committee reviewed the Final Landscape Design Plans for the Meredith Office Project and recommended approval.

Urban Renewal Board Recommendation

The Urban Renewal Board reviewed the Final Landscape Design Plans for Parcels 7A and 7C at its meeting of March 4, 1997 and recommended approval. The Board also concluded that the Plans satisfy the *Minimum Development Requirements* and conform with the schematic design plans previously approved by City Council.