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## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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No.:

Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Director, Community Development Department

### SUBJECT—

Approval of the Division Line Change for Street Naming and Addressing for West Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway

### SYNOPSIS—

The Street Naming and Addressing Committee met on November 4, 2004 to discuss the City Council directive to review the new intersection of Fleur Drive, Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway, and West Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway to minimize confusion and to be sure the current configuration of the street and intersection was consistent with the action taken by the City Council on November 19, 2001 by roll call 01-3423.

The Committee reviewed the current design and found there was no conflict with the Council action of November 19, 2001.

However, it was determined that the description of division line A needs a minor modification to meet street naming and addressing requirements as set forth in Chapter 102 Article III and XII of the City Code. This modification would impact no buildings nor require changes in any existing street name or address.

The Committee also reviewed the possibility of renaming Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway to North Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway and determined that the cost, time, and inconvenience of renaming the street would not be cost effective for the City or the public.

**FISCAL IMPACT—**

None

**RECOMMENDATION—**

Approval

## **BACKGROUND—**

The Street Naming and Addressing Committee is made up of various staff from Public Works, Police, Fire, Engineering, Traffic and Transportation, IT, Parks, and Community Development. This committee has been meeting regularly since 1998 to identify and address street naming and addressing problems throughout the City that impact emergency service, IT and Engineering Mapping, Police and Fire dispatching, and building permit issuance. Having a coherent understandable system in place to locate specific places in the City is critical to providing service and to maintain the health and welfare of residents of the City. This Committee first identified the original problems with the street name and addressing for Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway in early 2001. The Committee made its recommendation for changes to the naming and addressing of these streets to the Plan and Zoning Commission on November 15, 2001, which forwarded that recommendation to the City Council for action on November 19, 2001. On November 19, 2001, by Roll Call No. 01-3423, the City Council approved the naming of the east/west extension of Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway west of the Des Moines River as "West Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway".