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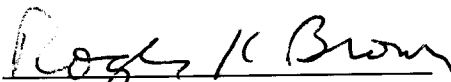
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Date February 11, 2013

COMMUNICATION from the Highland Park SSMID Board regarding the recommended budget for the Highland Park Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2013.

MOVED by _____ to receive and file.

FORM APPROVED:



Roger K. Brown
Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
GRIESS				
HENSLEY				
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MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

February 4, 2013

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Des Moines, Iowa

RE: FY 2014 Highland Park SSMID Budget and Levy

The Highland Park SSMID Board, which was created by City Council Roll Call No. 03-2401 to assist in the preparation of the annual SSMID budget and levy, held its annual meeting on January 31, 2013. The SSMID agreement requires the Parks Area Foundation to appoint a seven member board for fixed, staggered terms. The seven board members and their terms are outlined below.

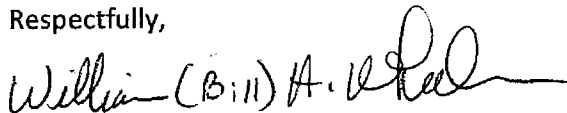
- New appointments – Bill Wheeler (chairman), Phyllis Wheeler, and Ken Boatwright, terms expire December 31st, 2015.
- Fred Spuzello and Linda Bisignano, terms expire December 31st, 2014.
- Dr. Boyd Nordmark and Mike Harden, terms expire December 31st, 2013.

The Highland Park SSMID Board reviewed and discussed the financial report that was prepared by the Finance Department and presented by staff from the Community Development Department. Following this discussion the Highland Park SSMID Board approved a motion to recommend to the City Council that the Highland Park SSMID levy remain at \$1.75 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation for FY 2014.

In other business, the board discussed whether or not to continue with private maintenance of the flower pots throughout the district. The board was satisfied with the maintenance of the flower pots last year and would like to continue to contract this work out. The board requested to review the plant material list from the provider prior to installation. The board approved a motion to establish a 3-year contract for the flower planting.

The board also approved a motion to purchase and install improved accent lighting on the arch across 6th Avenue. City staff, on behalf of the SSMID board, secured a number of bids for the purchase of the accent lighting. The board elected to accept the low bid, which was from Consolidated Electrical Distributors for the amount of \$10,120. The City has a contract with Commonwealth Electric Co. who will do the installation at a cost of \$9,349. We look forward to this exciting improvement for the commercial district.

Respectfully,



Bill Wheeler, Chairman
Highland Park SSMID Board

- cc:
- Highland Park SSMID Board Members
 - Rick Clark, City Manager
 - Scott Sanders, Finance Director
 - Phil Delafield, Community Development Director
 - Chris Johansen, Deputy Community Development Director
 - Roger Brown, Assistant City Attorney
 - Jennifer Dakovich, Principal Traffic Engineer
 - Kyle Larson, City Planner