SPECIAL JOINT MEETING – JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE JOHNSON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (RDC)

August 23, 2021

RDC President Rob Henderson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Assistant County Attorney Zach Lange performed the roll call. The following members of the RDC were present: Rob Henderson, Kevin Walls, Ron West, Brian Baird, and Lee Money. Non-voting adviser Scott Alexander arrived via Zoom at 4:38 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes from July 26, 2021

Mr. Walls made a motion to approve. Mr. West seconded the motion. The vote carried five to zero.

Approval of Ice Miller LLP Letter of Engagement

RDC Secretary Shena Johnson explained that the proposed engagement letter mirrors the previous year's agreement for engagement of Heather James from Ice Miller LLP for legal services, with a proposed maximum of \$15,000. Mr. Money made a motion to approve. Mr. Walls seconded the motion. The vote carried five to zero.

Ratification of Request for Additional Appropriation for Professional Services

Ms. Johnson stated that the RDC's Professional Services line item was running short for the year to provide for legal and financial services, and that the money derives from economic development fees. Mr. West made a motion to approve; Mr. Walls seconded the motion. The vote carried five to zero.

Discussion Regarding I-65 Economic Development Area

Mr. Henderson stated that Mr. Baird had asked to revisit the mapping for the I-65 EDA. Mr. Baird confirmed that meetings and discussion had been held with various stakeholders, but that he was not prepared to present a revised map at this time. Mr. Baird asked for additional time to gather further information. Mr. Henderson asked Ms. Johnson for an update regarding the status; Ms. Johnson confirmed that the next step was with the Commissioners. A change in the map would not start the process over, but Ms. Johnson recommended that the RDC review any revised maps before the Commissioners take action on the next step, with a final decision made by the RDC with the confirmatory resolution.

Mr. Henderson confirmed that both the Commissioners and RDC meet on September 27, and stated that September 27 should be targeted for finalizing the maps. Mr. Baird agreed that he had more discussion to have, but two to three weeks would be enough time for him to make a recommendation.

Mr. West asked if Mr. Baird was looking for collaboration with the mayors and town manager. Mr. Baird said that there had already been some collaboration, but there was more work to be done. Mr. Money asked for more specificity regarding the work to be done. Mr. Baird stated that he was not comfortable with the current map, and acknowledged that the RDC could move forward without taking his recommendation. Mr. Walls expressed his support for giving Mr. Baird more time to research.

Mr. Henderson agreed that more time was needed, and asked for a check-in date in early September.

Mr. West stated that he would like to set the September meeting as a deadline for resolution. Mr. Henderson agreed.

Mr. Henderson asked for public comment. There was none.

Mr. Money made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 p.m. Mr. Baird seconded the motion, which carried five to zero.

Approved on:

Rob Henderson, President

Brian Baird

R. Lee Money

Kevin Walls

Ron West