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City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 20-00495 Community Redevelopment Agency 9/8/2020

ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Jared Moore, Chairperson

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE BEAUTIFICATION OF A PORTION OF WEST GOVERNMENT STREET

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) approve the Interlocal Agreement (IA) with Escambia County, Florida, relating to the beautification of a portion of West Government Street. Further, that the CRA authorize the CRA Chairperson to execute all documents necessary for the execution of the agreement.

SUMMARY:

On August 9, 2016, the CRA approved a contract for the sale of the surplus property at 120 West Government Street to developers Paul A. Grimes (50%) and Steven P. Grimes and Norma Grimes as Trustees for the Grimes Family Trust (50%) in the amount of \$720,000. The developers proceeded expediently to design, construct, and complete the construction of a four-story mixed-use building in full compliance with the terms of the CRA's sale and redevelopment agreement.

The new structure is a significant enhancement to West Government Street and to the CRA Urban Core. The property is located directly across the street from the M.C. Blanchard Judicial Building located at 190 West Government Street.

In order to further beautify the south side portion of West Government Street, the developers have agreed to donate to Escambia County and install five above-sidewalk tree planters and five crape myrtle trees for placement in front of the Blanchard Building.

The County has agreed to accept these improvements, and as partners in preserving the planters and trees, asks that the CRA water and maintain them for the first two years from installation. The County will be responsible for replacement or repair, if needed during the first two years and for all maintenance and watering thereafter.

PRIOR ACTION:

December 5, 2016 - The CRA declared the property at 120 W. Government St surplus.

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December 23, 2016 - A 30 day Notice of Property Disposition/RFP was published.

On August 9, 2016, the CRA approved a contract for the sale of the surplus property.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Neither the CRA or the City of Pensacola will incur any costs associated with the purchase and installation of the improvements. Those costs will come from a donation to Escambia County. The costs associated with watering and maintenance for these improvements will be incorporated within the Urban Core CRA Landscape Maintenance Interlocal Agreement with the City of Pensacola.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

8/25/2020

STAFF CONTACT:

Kerrith Fiddler, Deputy City Administrator - Community Development M. Helen Gibson, AICP, CRA Administrator Victoria D'Angelo, Assistant CRA Administrator

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Interlocal Agreement Government Street Tree Planters
- 2) 120 W. Government Street Elevation

PRESENTATION: No