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APPROVED AS TO FORM

Office of the City Attorney

Prepared By: JPW
Requested: Planning Commission
Presentation on: 4-24-2012
Suspension of Rules: Yes

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE TUSCALOOSA FORWARD GENERATIONAL MASTER PLAN (A12-0367)

WHEREAS, the Tuscaloosa Forward Strategic Community Plan was adopted by the Tuscaloosa Planning Commission on August 22, 2011 and endorsed by the Tuscaloosa City Council on September 6, 2011 for commercial and residential areas affected by the Tornado of April 27, 2012. The Strategic Community Plan represents the community's vision for the future, and establishes a framework so that City government, the private sector, and the public can work to achieve the common vision; and,

WHEREAS, through the Tuscaloosa Forward Strategic Community Plan, multiple concepts emerged to achieve this vision, along with a range of initiatives to translate ideas into specific projects, policies, and partnerships to implement the Strategic Community Plan.

WHEREAS, the Generational Master Plan represents the next step in the rebuilding process; further developing many of the initiatives in the Strategic Plan including approximately sixty separate infrastructure projects with detailed analysis, design, preliminary engineering and cost estimates to guide the development of the new infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the Generational Master Plan focuses on public realm investments and infrastructure improvements that if planned, located, and coordinated strategically can directly improve residents quality of life, increase the efficiency and effectiveness of public services, and function as catalysts for new private development and investment; and,

WHEREAS, the Tuscaloosa Forward Generational Master Plan was developed through a series of community meetings, questionnaires sent to over 3,000 residents and then a Generational Master Plan draft unveiled in open house format for review and refinement on March 6, 2012 at City Hall. The completed Generational Master Plan was then presented to the Tuscaloosa Planning Commission and duly adopted, after public comment, on March 19, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TUSCALOOSA that the City Council endorses the Tuscaloosa Forward Generational Master Plan as adopted by the Planning Commission, which is incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A," and requests that the Mayor, Director of Planning and Development Services, and all pertinent departments and staff of the City, begin the implementation process for City Council consideration and funding of the various processes, infrastructure improvements, standards, and development, all as guided by the Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TUSCALOOSA that nothing herein shall be interpreted as a commitment of funds for any public infrastructure project outlined in the Generational Master Plan or an agreement to perform any specific recommendation in the Generational Master Plan. The components of the Generational Master Plan that require further City Council action shall be considered at the appropriate time.

FUNDING REQUIRED: Yes No

By: _____
Finance Director

COUNCIL ACTION

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