

Planning and Economic Development

Ed Anzek, AICP, Director

From: Ed Anzek, AICP

To: Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Date: 7/24/2014

Re: Rochester Retail Brownfield Plan – City File No. 12-010

Attached is the revised Brownfield Plan submitted by PM Environmental for the above referenced site, and a review letter prepared by Tom Wackerman of ASTI. The applicant is requesting support for the Brownfield Plan that will allow the use of Tax Increment Financing for certain specified activities involved in the redevelopment of the site.

At this time, the BRA is being asked to determine if the proposed plan meets the intent of our Brownfield program. As noted in Mr. Wackerman's memo, the plan is now compliant with the statutory requirements of PA 381 (with a few conditions and suggested revisions). As such, the BRA may choose to recommend approval to the City Council, or decline to support the plan.

Should the BRA choose to recommend that City Council approve the plan (after a public hearing), the following is a sample motion for your consideration:

MOTION by _________, in the matter of City File No.12-010, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority recommends that City Council approves the Act 381 Combined Brownfield Plan dated July 14, 2014 for Rochester Retail, Parcel No. 15-34-227-046, located at the southwest corner of Rochester and Auburn Roads, with the following findings and subject to the following conditions:

Findings:

- 1. The submitted plan meets the requirements for a Brownfield Plan under State Act 381 and the City of Rochester Hills.
- 2. The subject parcels qualify as a "facility" under the terms of Act 381.
- 3. The submitted plan qualifies for the use of tax increment financing based on the policies and goals of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.
- 4. If implemented, the amount, pay-back period, and use of tax increment financing is reasonable for the eligible activities proposed.

Conditions (subject to adjustment by the BRA)

- 1. Compliance with the recommendations of the ASTI memo dated July 23, 2014, and provision of clarification or consideration by the BRA of the eligible activity costs outlined in the memo.
- 2. A reimbursement agreement shall be negotiated between the City and the applicant prior to any TIF monies being paid out for eligible activities. The reimbursement agreement and the Brownfield Plan will dictate the total cost of eligible activities subject to payment, provided that the total cost of eligible activities subject to payment or reimbursement under the reimbursement agreement shall not exceed the estimated costs set forth in the Brownfield Plan by more than 15% without requiring an amendment to the Brownfield Plan.

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3.	That if the extent of due care activities related to the subject site is altered or revised due to a change in the proposed development plans or proposed use of the site, the applicant shall submit an amended Brownfield Plan to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.
4.	In order to assure sufficient funding for the local revolving loan fund, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority shall limit reimbursement to the applicant to \$337,634 (including contingency) or 11 years, whichever comes first, from local tax capture only.

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