



MEMORANDUM

To: Saint Anthony Village City Council
From: Charlie Yunker, City Manager
Date: February 28, 2023 City Council Work Session
Request: Urban Land institute Technical Assistance Panel Program Application

BACKGROUND

At the November 29, 2022 joint Work Session with the Planning Commission and the Parks and Environmental Commission, the group discussed the desired future use of the city-owned parcel at 38083 Stinson Boulevard. Various ideas and desires were discussed, and centered around two areas:

- Best use of the 3803 Stinson Blvd parcel
- How to incorporate more green space into Silver Lake Village area

Given an absence of a consensus, a suggestion was offered to utilize Urban Land institute's (ULI) Technical Assistance Panel (TAP) to seek input from developers. The City utilized this program in 2016 in regards to the St. Anthony Shopping Center area and its future redevelopment possibilities. That report is attached for reference as to what the final product of the program can be expected to be. The objective of the TAP would be to help guide future land use in the Silver Lake Village area by gaining insights from developers on what is feasible, optimal, and what the City can do to address the ideas and concerns discussed at the joint meeting.

Staff subsequently contacted ULI to determine if the TAP program could be utilized. In short, the program would consist of a workshop of industry experts that would review the project scope and provide their input on defined questions the City would like addressed. Staff has drafted the below questions based on the discussion at the November 29, 2022 Joint Work Session:

- For the city-owned parcel, what is the best use of that for the area?
- How could the City best increase usable green space in the area?
- How could the City help reduce impervious surface and/or increase natural elements in the area?
- How can the City guide future redevelopment in the area for additional green space and help ensure climate change adaptability?

ULI staff provided the attached flyer that summarizes the workshop, and recommended a ½ day work shop at a cost of \$5,000 as an appropriate approach given the scope of the project the City would be requesting.

Since this exercise would be a continuation of the November, 2022 joint meeting, staff would arrange the workshop as another joint meeting with both the Planning Commission and Parks and Environmental Commission, appropriate staff, and the group assembled by ULI.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends moving forward with submitting an application for the ½ day workshop at the stated fee of \$5,000. Staff would recommend the workshop be a joint City Council work session with the Planning Commission and the Parks and Environmental Commission, and appropriate staff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR COUNCIL FEEDBACK

Below are the specific items for discussion and feedback:

- Does the Council wish to move forward with the TAP program?
- Does the Council have any revisions to the scope questions?
- Other considerations for staff?

ATTACHMENTS:

- ULI TAP program information
- ULI application materials
- 2016 TAP program report