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Substitute resolution relating to an open records request of both the Department of City Development and the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee to disclose all records related to the Kohl's Corporation's possible relocation of its corporate headquarters to downtown Milwaukee.

This resolution directs the office of the City Clerk to file an open records request with both the Department of City Development and the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee to disclose all records related to Kohl's Corporation's consideration of relocating its corporate headquarters to downtown Milwaukee.

Body

Whereas, the Kohl's Corporation recently announced that it would not be moving its corporate headquarters to downtown Milwaukee; and

Whereas, The unsuccessful attempt to attract Kohl's Corporation's headquarters to the City of Milwaukee will have negative repercussions on the local real estate market, and particularly the redevelopment of downtown Milwaukee; and

Whereas, The City's incentive package for Kohl's included the creation of a \$100-million tax incremental financing district; and

Whereas, Concerns have been raised by many that the City could have done a better job of recruiting Kohl's; and

Whereas, The Department of City Development did not consult with the majority of Common Council members about its recruitment efforts for Kohl's and provided little information about its negotiating strategies; and

Whereas, The Department of City Development has provided few specific details on the proposed development of Kohl's corporate facilities; and

Whereas, The City can learn a number of valuable lessons from its unsuccessful recruitment strategies and efforts; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the office of the City Clerk is directed to file an open records request with the Department of City Development and the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee to disclose all records related to the attempt to bring the Kohl's Corporation's corporate headquarters to downtown Milwaukee; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk is directed to report on the status of this request within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution.

Jim Owczarski

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