LAND DISPOSITION REPORT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE

DATE

September 25, 2001

PROJECT

Midtown Conservation

REDEVELOPER/TENANT

Midtown Neighborhood Association, Ralph Beverly, Executive Director.

Partners in the project include: Public Allies, Farm City Link/Neighborhood House, Growing Power, Julius and Rose Pieper Boys and Girls Club, Urban Open Space Foundation, Milwaukee High School of the Arts, Grand Avenue School, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Division of Forestry, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Havenwoods Environmental Awareness Center, and America's Outdoors: USDA Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service.

PARCEL ADDRESS & DESCRIPTION

1255 North 22nd Street: a 120,393 square foot parcel of land that encompasses the entire block from North 22nd Street to North 23rd Street, West Juneau Avenue to West McKinley Avenue.

PROPOSED REUSE

To be used as a natural resource learning center with programs such as outdoor classroom space, plant and food gardening, picnics, neighborhood get-togethers and live entertainment with a special emphasis on children and youth. A community group has been formed called Friends of Lynden Hill which has accepted the responsibility of 'adopting' Lynden Hill and directing the various programmatic needs, maintenance and use of the property.

LEASE RATE AND TERMS

The term shall be for 20 years commencing October 1, 2001 at a lease rate of \$1.00 per year. After the 20-year term, the lease contains a year-to-year renewal at the rate of \$1.00 for as long as active programming continues on the Hill.

PAST ACTIONS

The Authority has been leasing the property to Midtown Neighborhood Association on a short-term basis since 1991. The Redevelopment Authority held a public hearing on September 20, 2001 regarding the long-term lease, after which it conditionally accepted the Lease.

FUTURE ACTIONS

Upon approval of this Report by your Honorable Body, and receipt of requisite approvals by regulatory bodies, the Redevelopment Authority will enter into said Lease Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions expressed herein and contained in the form of contract and resolution referred to above.

Respectfully submitted,

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE

Gregory J. Shelko Assistant Executive Director-Secretary

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