



Equity Impact Statement

1. Describe the proposed ordinance or resolution.

The resolution will approve the creation of Tax Incremental District #113 - Edison School - to assist in the development of the Edison School Project, located at 5372 North 37th Street. The project includes the adaptive reuse of the former Edison School into 63 housing units for the elderly and the construction of 12 townhome units for families. All 75 units in the project will be affordable to households across a range of incomes (30%-60% of Area Median Income).

Identify the anticipated equity impacts, if any, of this proposal.

Milwaukee has a significant need for quality affordable rental housing. In the census tract where the project is located –58% of households are housing cost burdened (paying more than 30% of their income for rent) and 88% of the population is Black. The project will provide additional affordable housing opportunities for neighborhood residents.

The project will also include Human Resource goals, providing business and job opportunities for Small Business Enterprises and local unemployed workers.

Identify which minority groups, if any, may be negatively or positively impacted by the proposal.

Over 62% of African American household and 54% of Latino households in Milwaukee are rent burdened. The development will provide additional affordable housing opportunities for these populations.

In addition, through Chapter 355, the human resource requirements for the project will include Resident Preference Program goals for hiring city residents from the City's highest poverty zip codes.





4. Describe any engagement efforts with minority communities potentially impacted by the proposal.

The project is located within the City's Near North Side Plan area, which involved significant public engagement in the development of the plan. The Plan included the goal of increasig the diversity of housing options for residents.

In addition, neighborhood meetings were held with local residents regarding the redevelopment of the site and the development of new housing opportunities in the neighborhood.

5. Describe how any anticipated equity impacts of the proposal will be documented or evaluated.

Because the project involves the use of the low income housing tax credit program, there are strict compliance and monitoring procedures in place to insure that units remain affordable and are rented to low income families consistent with the income targeting goals for the project.

The Office of Equity and Inclusion monitors the Human Resource goals for the project, and DCD staff consults with them to insure goals are being met, and if not, what remedial actions can be put in place to insure compliance.

6. Describe strategies that will be used, if any, to mitigate any anticipated equity impacts.

No specific negative equity impacts were identified by this analysis.

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