

## City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

## Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing an adjustment of the RPP requirements for Freshwater Plaza Project, a mixed -use development by Wangard Partners, located at the northeast corner of N. 1st St. and E. Greenfield Ave.

This resolution authorizes an adjustment of the Resident Preference Program ("RPP") requirements for the developer of the Freshwater Plaza Project to utilize RPP workers on other projects undertaken by the developer and non-construction, permanent employees.

Whereas, The City and Freshwater Plaza Corp., an affiliate of Wangard Partners, ("Developer") entered into a Human Resources ("HR") Agreement on September 29, 2015 for the Freshwater Plaza Project ("Project");

Whereas, The HR Agreement requires the Developer to meet certain workforce requirements for the Project including 25% Small Business Enterprise ("SBE") participation of local firms and 40% of the hours worked on the Project shall be performed by RPP workers, pursuant to Chapter 355 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances;

Whereas, The Developer exceeded the SBE requirement with 27% SBE participation, but did not meet the RPP requirement with only 18% of the hours on the construction of the Project performed by RPP workers;

Whereas, The Developer submitted a proposal to the City's Office of Small Business Development to cure the RPP shortfall by hiring RPP workers on other projects undertaken by the Developer that are not receiving city subsidies or as full-time, permanent, non-construction employees on the Project;

Whereas, Pursuant to sec. 355-7-2-a of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, "Up to one-third of required worker hours may be achieved by documenting the use of unemployed or underemployed residents on projects undertaken by the developer where such compliance is not required, or by hiring unemployed or underemployed residents on a full-time permanent basis for non-construction job categories connected to the project;"

Whereas, The Developer's RPP shortfall requires more than one-third of its RPP hours to be of the kind described in sec. 355-7-2-a of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances;

Whereas, Article XI of the Human Resources Agreement and sec. 355-17-1 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances allows the city to impose remedial efforts upon the Developer to bring the Developer into compliance with the RPP requirements;

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Whereas, The Developer's proposal to make up RPP hours must be approved by the Common Council as an acceptable remedial effort for Developer to undertake in order to meet RPP compliance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee that the RPP Action Plan for the Freshwater Plaza Project, set forth in the attachment to this Common Council file is hereby approved.

DOA-Office of Small Business Development

Nikki Purvis:Angelique Pettigrew July 13, 2017