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A resolution authorizing Neighborhood Improvement Districts to amend 2020 Operating Plans to add programs that address the COVID-19 Pandemic.

On March 15, 2020, Mayor Tom Barrett declared a state of emergency in the City of Milwaukee due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. This resolution delegates authority to the Commissioner of the Department of City Development to approve amendments to 2020 Operating Plans for Neighborhood Improvement Districts that include programs to assist businesses and/or property owners affected by the extraordinary nature of the Pandemic.

Whereas, The global COVID-19 Pandemic ("Pandemic") significantly poses an imminent threat to public health; and

Whereas, Milwaukee businesses have been required to adjust operations or cease operations completely in the interest of protecting the health of the public and their workers; and

Whereas, Milwaukee's Neighborhood Improvement Districts ("NIDs") undertake programs that improve neighborhood quality of life; and

Whereas, NIDs are required to annually submit operating plans detailing their budget, programs, and expenditures for the following year; and

Whereas, When 2020 NID operating plans were submitted to the Common Council for approval in fall 2019, there was no hint that the Pandemic would result in the widespread economic impact apparent today; and

Whereas, Several NIDs have expressed a desire to amend their 2020 operating plans to provide new programs that assist property owners affected by the Pandemic; and

Whereas, Amendments to a NID operating plan that create a material change to the operating plan must be approved by the City of Milwaukee; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Common Council hereby

delegates its authority to approve amendments to annual operating plans of NIDs under 66.1110(4) (b) to the Commissioner of the Department of City Development ("DCD"), or his/her designee, for the limited purpose of approving amendments to 2020 operating plans that include programs that provide assistance to business and/or property owners adversely impacted by the Pandemic; and, be it

Further Resolved, That NIDs wishing to amend their operating plans for this purpose will be required to submit the amended plan to DCD, along with a certified resolution of NID's board of directors indicating that the amended plan was approved by a majority of the board at a meeting noticed and conducted in accordance with State of Wisconsin open meetings requirements; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the delegation of authority to the Commissioner of DCD under this resolution shall continue until September 1, 2020.

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