



City of Apache Junction

Development Services Department



DATE: July 19, 2017

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Bryant Powell, City Manager
Larry Kirch, Development Services Director

FROM: Heather Patel, Grants Administrator

SUBJECT: Re-affirmation of the Apache Trail Redevelopment Area

REQUEST

Public hearing and consideration of Resolution No. 17-18 Re-affirming the Apache Trail Redevelopment Area.

BACKGROUND

In 2012, the city council approved the designation of the Apache Trail Redevelopment Area under Resolution No. 12-28. A redevelopment area is designated as a method to target investment of public funds to make improvements to a specific area. By creating this area, the city has been eligible to invest Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) funds for a variety of projects including sidewalks, curb & gutter, street improvements, and lighting.

DISCUSSION

Arizona Revised Statute provides for the designation of a redevelopment area to be eligible for ten years once approved by the city council. However, the Arizona Department of Housing under the authority and direction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires redevelopment areas be reviewed and re-affirmed every five years. The Arizona Department of Housing is the grantor of the city’s CDBG funding.

The city has followed the process for the designation of said area and its re-affirmation by:

- 1) Mailing a letter to the property owners located within the redevelopment area boundaries via U.S. Postal Service first class mail. Addresses were obtained from the most recent Pinal County Assessors database.
- 2) Completing a building and infrastructure inventory.
- 3) Publishing a public notice in the Arizona Republic on June 28, 2017 and posting the notice at the three statutory required locations within the city.

Property owners who receive a letter were asked to contact Heather Patel with any questions or comments regarding the designation. Property owners are assured their properties will not be rezoned, there will be no increase in property taxes as the city does not have a property tax, nor will there be any assessments or liens placed on their property.

The re-affirmation of the redevelopment area provides for the continued support and investment of funds towards the improvement of this area. If this resolution is not approved the city will no longer be eligible for certain CDBG projects.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the city council hold a public hearing and consider the approval of Resolution No. 17-18

ACTION REQUIRED

1. Convene a public hearing
2. Consideration of Resolution No. 17-18

Attachment 1: Resolution 17-18.