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Resolution Amending Land Disposition Policy for HRA Owned Real Estate

WHEREAS, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota (the "HRA") is a public body corporate and politic established pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.001, et seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the HRA has the power to engage in development or redevelopment activities under Minnesota law and the HRA is authorized to engage in activities relating to (a) housing projects and development, (b) removal and prevention of the spread of conditions of blight or deterioration, (c) bringing substandard buildings and improvements into compliance with public standards, (d) disposition of land for private redevelopment, and (e) improving the tax base and the financial stability of the community, and to engage in the aforementioned activities when these needs cannot be met through reliance solely upon private initiative and which can also be undertaken in targeted communities; and is authorized to create redevelopment projects as defined in Minn Stat Section 469.002, Subd. 14; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted on May 28, 2003 and amended on September 23, 2009, the HRA adopted a Policy for Disposition of HRA owned real estate ("Land Disposition Policy") and the Land Disposition Policy applies to most land owned by the HRA; and

WHEREAS, from time to time the City of Saint Paul determines it has surplus land and decides to dispose of such land to an end user for a price and use negotiated and determined by City staff and approved by the City Council, and to facilitate such transfer to the end user the City of Saint Paul, under City Administrative Code Chapter 51, (Sec. 51.01, Para. 11), conveys the land to the HRA who merely acts as a conduit and immediately transfers the land to the City approved end user, and the Land Disposition Policy applies to the HRA transfer to the end user; and

WHEREAS, because the City of Saint Paul has its own process to determine the buyer/end user of its lands it is not necessary for the HRA's Land Disposition Policy to also apply to such lands when the HRA is merely acting as a conduit; and

WHEREAS, HRA staff has submitted to the HRA Board of Commissioners for its consideration and approval an amended Land Disposition Policy in the form attached to the staff report which excludes from the Land Disposition Policy those land transfers from the City whereby the HRA merely acts as a conduit, and by this resolution the HRA approves this amended Land Disposition Policy and finds a public purpose for this action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota that:

1. The HRA Board of Commissioners hereby approves the amended Land Disposition Policy in the form attached to the staff report.
2. The HRA Executive Director, staff and legal counsel for the HRA are directed and authorized to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution.