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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AMENDMENTS TO THE DECLARATORY RESOLUTIONS AND REDEVELOPMENT **PLAN** FOR THE DOWNTOWN GRIFFITH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND THE GRIFFITH REDEVELOPMENT AREA, AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-7-14, as amended (the "Act"), the Town of Griffith Redevelopment Commission (the "Redevelopment Commission") previously adopted and amended a Declaratory Resolution (the "EDA Declaratory Resolution") establishing an economic development area (the "Economic Development Area") and an Allocation Area therein designated as the "Downtown Griffith Redevelopment District" (the "Original Downtown Allocation Area"), as expanded in 2015 (the Original Allocation Area, as so expanded, the "Downtown Allocation Area") in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has previously adopted and confirmed resolutions (collectively, the "RDA Declaratory Resolution") (the EDA Declaratory Resolution and the RDA Declaratory Resolution, collectively, the "Declaratory Resolutions") which established and expanded an area needing redevelopment (the "Redevelopment Area") (the Redevelopment Area and the Economic Development Area, collectively, the "Areas"), designated certain portions thereof as allocation areas pursuant to Section 39 of the Act, including one which is known as the Cline Avenue Redevelopment Area Allocation Area (the "Cline Avenue Allocation Area"), and another known as the Griffith Mall Redevelopment Area Allocation Area (the "Mall Allocation Area") and approving the Griffith Amended Redevelopment Plan for the Areas (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2019, the Redevelopment Commission approved and adopted a Resolution (the "2019 Resolution") amending the Declaratory Resolutions and the Plan by (i) expanding the Economic Development Area to include the entire Town outside the existing Redevelopment Area, (ii) re-characterizing the Redevelopment Area as an "economic development area," (iii) consolidating the expanded Economic Development Area and the Redevelopment Area, as re-characterized, into a single economic development area designated as the "Consolidated Griffith Economic Development Area," (iv) removing the parcels listed in Exhibit A-1 attached thereto (the "2019 Downtown Parcels") from the Downtown Allocation Area and simultaneously adding the 2019 Downtown Parcels back into the Downtown Allocation Area, (v) removing the parcels listed in Exhibit A-2 attached thereto (the "2019 Cline Parcels") from the Cline Avenue Allocation Area and simultaneously adding the 2019 Cline Parcels back into the Cline Avenue Allocation Area, (vi) expanding the Downtown Allocation Area to include the area described on Exhibit B attached thereto as an (the "2019 Expansion Allocation Area") within the existing Economic Development Area, (vii) consolidating the Cline Avenue Allocation Area and the Mall Allocation Area into a single allocation area designated as the "Consolidated Cline/Mall Allocation Area," (viii) extending the expiration date of the Original Downtown Allocation Area to 25 years after the date on which the first obligation is incurred, as permitted by Section 39(b) of the Act, and (ix) adopting a supplement to the Plan

attached thereto as Exhibit C (the "2019 Plan Supplement") (clauses (i) through and including (ix) collectively, the "2019 Amendments"); and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Commission submitted the 2019 Resolution to the Town of Griffith Plan Commission (the "Plan Commission") for its approval pursuant to IC 36-7-14-16; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission, on November 18, 2019, issued its order approving the 2019 Resolution;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act, the Town Council of the Town, on November 19, 2019, adopted a resolution which approved the Declaratory Resolution, the 2019 Amendments and the Plan Commission Order; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has received the written orders of approval as required by Section 17(a) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17 of the Act, the Commission caused to be published a Notice of Public Hearing with respect to the 2019 Amendments and filed a copy of said Notice in the offices of all departments, bodies or officers of the Town having to do with Town planning, variances from zoning ordinances, land use or the issuance of building permits; and

WHEREAS, at the hearing (the "Public Hearing") held by the Commission on December 17, 2019, the Commission heard all persons interested in the proceedings and considered any written remonstrances that were filed and all evidence presented; and

WHEREAS, the Commission now desires to take final action determining the public utility and benefit of the 2019 Amendments and confirming the Declaratory Resolution, in accordance with Section 17 of the Act.

Now, Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Griffith Redevelopment Commission, as follows:

- 1. The Commission hereby reconfirms the findings and determinations set forth in the Original Resolution with respect to the Redevelopment Area, as previously amended.
- 2. After considering the evidence presented at the Public Hearing, the Commission hereby confirms the findings and determinations, designations and approving and adopting actions contained in the Declaratory Resolution.
- 3. After considering the evidence presented at the Public Hearing, the Commission hereby finds and determines that it will be of public utility and benefit to proceed with the 2019 Amendments, and the 2019 Amendments are hereby approved in all respects.
 - 4. The Declaratory Resolution is hereby confirmed.
- 5. For purposes of Indiana Code 36-7-14-17.5, this Resolution shall be deemed to create a new "economic development area" (the "New Economic Development Area") consisting of the portions of the Town outside the existing Economic Development Area and Redevelopment Area, and this Resolution shall be deemed to consolidate the New Economic Development Area with the existing Economic Development Area and Redevelopment Area to form the "Consolidated Griffith Economic Development Area" having boundaries coterminous with the Town.

- 6. This Resolution constitutes final action, pursuant to Section 17(d) of the Act, by the Commission determining the public utility and benefit of the 2019 Amendments and confirming the Declaratory Resolution pertaining to the Redevelopment Area.
- 7. The Secretary of the Commission is directed to record the final action taken by the Commission pursuant to the requirements of Sections 17(d) of the Act.

Member

ADOPTED the 17th day of December, 2019.

TOWN OF GRIFFITH REDEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION

President

Vice President

Member