



MEMORANDUM

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

TO: Thomas Thomas, City Manager
SUBJECT: Adoption of the Arsenal Gateway Revitalization Plan

DATE: August 21, 2013

Please find attached to this e-mail a final DRAFT of the Arsenal Gateway Revitalization Plan. To provide a brief timeline, a Steering Committee was appointed and conducted its first meeting in September 2012. A walk-about and public Stakeholder meeting was held at the end of October 2012. Monthly meetings of the Steering Committee were held and on May 15, 2013, a second public Stakeholder meeting was held to follow up and review the progress of the Steering Committee and the nearly-completed draft plan. An informal Work Session was held at the June 4, 2013 Planning Commission meeting to receive comments and ask questions of consultant Chris Janson of MSA Professional Services.

A public hearing was held on July 2, 2013 with public comments provided by Ms. Ami Jenkins of the Quad Cities Botanical Center, which were incorporated into the plan document. The plan was unanimously recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. The final draft of the document was posted onto the City's website and paper copies provided to the Mayor and Aldermen the following week to allow ample time for final review and comment. As of this date, none has been received. The plan will require review and formal adoption by the Mayor and City Council. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have regarding the draft plan.

Recommendation: Approval of the proposed Arsenal Gateway Revitalization Plan as unanimously recommended by the Planning Commission.

Submitted by: Ben Griffith, AICP, Planning & Redevelopment Administrator
Jeffery Eder, Community & Economic Development Director

Approved: Thomas Thomas, City Manager