

## **RESOLUTION**

### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN OPTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ANKENY AND DRA PROPERTIES, LC FOR THE ACQUISITION OF OUTLOT R IN THE DISTRICT AT PRAIRIE TRAIL PLAT 5**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Ankeny entered into a civic trust fund master agreement with DRA Properties, LC in 2007 to facilitate the development of Prairie Trail. As part of that agreement, a plan was developed and a funding mechanism was established to allow for the construction of a new civic building within The District commercial area of Prairie Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 21, 2008 the City Council approved the Prairie Trail Library Development Plan by resolution, which designated The District at Prairie Trail as the location of a new library to replace the Kirkendall Library; and

**WHEREAS**, in October of 2014, the City of Ankeny undertook the City Facilities Needs Study to determine the most effective plan for accommodating the expanding staff and associated space needs of the city organization; and

**WHEREAS**, the main emphasis of the said facilities study was to identify new and/or remodeled facilities so that two buildings being leased by the City (the Parks and Recreation Building and the Public Services Building) could be vacated; and

**WHEREAS**, the firm of OPN Architects was retained to complete the City Facilities Needs Study, which was finalized in September of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Facilities Needs Study generated ten options for various building configurations, of which Option 6 was identified by the City Council as the preferred option; and

**WHEREAS**, the main components of Option 6 include:

- 1) Construct a new building containing the public library and council chambers in Prairie Trail.
- 2) Renovate the Kirkendall Library building to house the city departments currently occupying the Public Services Building (Planning and Building, Public Works/Engineering, Parks and Recreation and Municipal Utilities).
- 3) Renovate the vacated council chambers space within City Hall to provide additional office space for future expansion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ankeny City Council authorized the initiation of the facility improvements identified as those in Option 6 above by Resolution on February 1, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager recently completed negotiations with DRA Properties to acquire Outlot R in The District at Prairie Trail Plat 5, for locating the new building that will contain the library and council chambers as identified in Option 6 above; and

**WHEREAS**, an Agreement has been prepared that will allow the City of Ankeny the option to acquire the said Lot R from DRA Properties, LC pending positive results of a bond referendum scheduled for May 2, 2017, which will ratify the decision to proceed with the development of the facility improvements identified in the said Option 6 above.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Ankeny, Iowa, that the Mayor and City Clerk should be and are hereby authorized and empowered to execute an Option Agreement between the City of Ankeny and DRA Properties, LC for the acquisition of Outlot R in The District at Prairie Trail Plat 5.

**DATED** at Ankeny, Iowa, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.

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Gary Lorenz, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pamela DeMouth, City Clerk