

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #12-02-\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING THE NEED FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey is a participant in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act (“LCA”) Local Housing Incentives Program for 2012 as determined by the Metropolitan Council, and therefore is eligible to apply for LCA Livable Communities Demonstration Account and Tax Base Revitalization Account Transit Oriented Development (collectively, “TOD”) funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has identified proposed projects within the City that meet TOD purposes and criteria and are consistent with and promote the purposes of the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act and the policies of the Metropolitan Council’s adopted metropolitan development guide; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to adequately manage an LCA TOD grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the City certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the grant agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the City acknowledges Livable Communities TOD grants are intended to fund projects or project components that can serve as models, examples, or prototypes for TOD development or redevelopment elsewhere in the region, and therefore represents that the proposed projects or key components of the proposed projects can be replicated in other metropolitan-area communities; and

**WHEREAS**, only a limited amount of grant funding is available through the Metropolitan Council’s Livable Communities TOD initiative during each funding cycle and the Metropolitan Council has determined it is appropriate to allocate those scarce grant funds only to eligible projects that would not occur without the availability of TOD grant funding; and

**WHEREAS**, cities may submit grant applications for up to three TOD Demonstration Account projects and up to six TOD Tax Base Revitalization Account during each funding cycle, but, using the city’s own internal ranking process, must rank their projects by priority to the Metropolitan Council may consider those priority rankings as it reviews applications and makes grant awards.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:**

- 1) That the Ramsey City Council hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the City’s development goals and priorities for the proposed projects to occur at the sites indicated in the grant applications at this particular time.
- 2) That the Ramsey City Council hereby finds that the TOD Project components for which Livable Communities TOD funding is sought:
  - a. Will not occur solely through private or other public investment within the reasonably foreseeable future; and
  - b. Will occur within the term of the grant award (two years for Pre-Development grants, and three years for Development grants, one year for Cleanup Site Investigation grants and three years for Cleanup grants) only in Livable Communities TOD funding is made available for these projects at this time.
- 3) That the Ramsey City Council ranks the TOD Project funding applications, according to the City’s own internal priorities, in the following order:

	LCDA TOD Project Names	Grant amount requested
1	Sunwood Drive	\$1,xxx,000.00
2	Center Street	\$1,000,000.00
3	Mississippi Skyway	\$100,000

- 4) That the Ramsey City Council authorizes its City Administrator to submit on behalf of the City applications for Metropolitan Council Livable Communities TOD grant funds for the TOD Project components identified in the applications, and to execute such agreements as may be necessary to implement the projects on behalf of the City.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2012.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk