

Councilmember _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION #21-147

RESOLUTION APPROVING WEST ARMSTRONG REDEVELOPMENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

WHEREAS, the City of Ramsey, is committed to increasing the tax base and the creation of quality jobs within the community; and

WHEREAS, the existing road and utility infrastructure in the West Armstrong Project area is outdated and in need of reconstruction in order to help facilitate private development that will result in the creation of additional tax base and creation of new jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports industrial development west of Ferret Street and COR zoning east of Ferret Street and making more developable industrial land available; and

WHEREAS, the City Council agrees that road and utility infrastructure improvements in the West Armstrong Redevelopment Area would help facilitate development and redevelopment resulting in increasing the tax base and the creation of jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is open to negotiating acquisition with willing sellers of land in the West Armstrong Redevelopment Area in order to facilitate industrial development; and

WHEREAS, the Council is currently not interested in negotiating acquisition with willing sellers of land in the West Armstrong Redevelopment Area that are zoned COR; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports being a financial partner in the West Armstrong Redevelopment Area Infrastructure project.

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

- 1) That the City directs City Staff to obtain quotes to prepare plans and specifications for a road and City utility infrastructure project in the West of Armstrong Redevelopment Area and to bring it back for City Council authorization.
- 2) That the City supports the use of EDA/TIF/HRA funds with a preference to use TIF to fund the plans and specifications.
- 3) That the City Council supports the following policy statements:
 - a. The City Council confirms that land use vision or redevelopment with retail future land uses east of Ferret Street (west of Armstrong Boulevard) and industrial future land uses west of Ferret Street (east of the Bunker Lake Industrial Park).

- b. That the City Council is open to traditional economic development tools to facilitate the private redevelopment of these parcels.
- c. That the City Council is NOT open to purchasing parcels for parcels guided for future retail redevelopment for the purposes of removing blight or public nuisances.
- d. That the City Council IS open to potential acquisition of future industrial property to facilitate the continued expansion of the Bunker Lake Industrial Park.

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 25th day of May 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk