

RESOLUTION NO. 25827

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING (MLK) COMMUNITY PLAN, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF BY REFERENCE.

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King (MLK) area has a special historic character that the community has expressed an interest in preserving; and

WHEREAS, the MLK area is in need of a more comprehensive plan for redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, due to the direct location and relationship of the MLK area to the Central Business District and to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga campus, it is only fitting that these areas should also be studied as part of the MLK area planning process; and

WHEREAS, the MLK area is a mixed-use urban neighborhood, the community must strive to keep the diversity and a healthy balance of uses; and

WHEREAS, a mix of commercial and residential development is desired in the area, there must be increased efforts to revitalize the MLK commercial corridor with renovations and new construction that complement the historic character; and

WHEREAS, an increased density and number of residents is needed in the area in order to encourage urban amenities; and

WHEREAS, additional green infrastructure is recommended; and

WHEREAS, connections and transit in the area should be studied further; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Agency has conducted community meetings for the purpose of obtaining public input; and

WHEREAS, the Plan provides recommendations that will help guide decision makers as future developments are proposed in the study area; and

WHEREAS, the plan will be a guide, and as such, does not automatically enact zoning changes or guarantee funding for projects or other recommendations contained therein; and

WHEREAS, The Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Agency has recommended adoption of the Plan to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, That the Martin Luther King (MLK) Community Plan, the area being generally bounded on the east by the Railroad Right-of-Way past Central Avenue, on the south by the Railroad Right-of-Way past 12th Street, on the west by Georgia Avenue, and on the north by properties fronting the north side of McCallie Avenue, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, be and is hereby adopted.

ADOPTED: February 10, 2009

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(The MLK Plan can be found on the Regional Planning Agency's website www.chcrpa.org.)