

ITEM # 35  
DATE 6/10/08

## COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT:** DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT RESTRICTING USES IN THE CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL NODE AT BLOOMINGTON ROAD AND STANGE ROAD.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City Council approved an amendment to the Land Use Policy Plan in December 2007 allowing Convenience Commercial Nodes at certain locations near village residential subdivisions. The Nodes would be limited to certain uses:

1. Grocery Stores;
2. Convenience Stores, which may include gasoline and food sale but no sit-down restaurants;
3. Medical Offices and Clinics; and
4. Car Washes.

The amendment to the LUPP also stated that these use limitations would be assured through a development agreement approved prior to final zoning action by the City Council.

The LUPP map was amended at the May 13 meeting to place a CVCN node at the intersection of Bloomington Road and Stange Road. The City Council approved the first reading of the ordinance to rezone a portion of Northridge Heights at that intersection at the May 27 meeting. The attached development agreement provides the mechanism by which the uses on those four lots will be limited. The agreement should be approved prior to the third reading of the ordinance to rezone the property.

### **DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT:**

The development agreement identifies the subject site as Lots 400, 401, 402 and 403 of Northridge Heights and limits permissible uses to those approved on May 13, 2008 in Resolution Number 08-196. The use limitations are binding on the current developer, and its successors and assigns.

The City's remedies to enforce these limitations include refusing to approve or issue any permit for development on the site that is not consistent with the uses. Other enforcement actions would be similar to those of any other zoning infraction as allowed by the zoning ordinance.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. The City Council can approve the Development Agreement restricting uses in the Convenience Commercial Node at Bloomington Road and Stange Road.

2. The City Council can deny approval of the Development Agreement restricting uses in the Convenience Commercial Node at Bloomington Road and Stange Road.
3. The City Council can refer this request back to staff and/or the applicant for additional information. However, approval of the Development Agreement should occur before the final approval of the ordinance to rezone.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council approve Alternative #1. This is a recommendation to approve the Development Agreement.

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**AN AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF LOTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4,  
NORTHRIDGE HEIGHTS 12<sup>th</sup> ADDITION IN THE CITY OF AMES**

**THIS AGREEMENT**, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2008, by and between the CITY OF AMES, IOWA (hereinafter called "City"), and Uthe Development Company, L.L.C. (hereinafter called "Developer"), their successors and assigns,

**WITNESSETH THAT:**

**WHEREAS**, the parties hereto desire the improvement and development of an area legally described as set out on Attachment A, hereinafter called the Site; and,

**WHEREAS**, Developer has applied to the City for rezoning of the Site to CVCN Convenience Commercial Node; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Land Use Policy Plan for the Site provides for CVCN zoning with use restrictions that allow only grocery stores, convenience stores (which may include gasoline and food sales but not sit-down restaurants), medical offices and clinics, and car washes; and

**WHEREAS**, Developer has agreed to restrict uses at Site to those included in the Land Use Policy Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties hereto have agreed and do agree as follows:

**I.  
PURPOSE**

A. It is the purpose of this Agreement to:

1. Document, record, and give notice of a certain plan of development, and the restrictions on uses for the Site.

2. Provide remedies to the City in the event the said plan of development is not adhered to or achieved by the Developer.

B. This Agreement does not create or vest in any person or organization, other than the City, any rights or cause of action with respect to any performance, obligation, plan, schedule or undertaking stated in this Agreement, with respect to the Developer. No person shall have any cause of action or recourse against the City or Developer by reason of any such amendment, modification, or release.

## **II. RESTRICTIONS ON USES PERMITTED ON THE SITE**

Permissible uses at the Site are limited to those approved by the Ames City Council on May 13, 2008, in Resolution Number 08-196, amending the Land Use Policy Plan Map. Developer, its successors and assigns, covenant and agree to limit uses of the Site to the following:

- A. Grocery stores;
- B. Convenience stores, which may include sales of gasoline and food but not sit-down restaurants;
- C. Medical offices and clinics; and
- D. Car washes.

## **III. CITY'S REMEDIES**

A. In that the Developer seeks to persuade and induce the City to approve a rezoning of the Site to CVCN Convenience Commercial Node, it is understood and agreed that the City shall not issue any permits with respect to any place on the Site for which a final plat of subdivision has not been approved and filed for record.

B. The City shall not issue a building permit, zoning permit, or any other permit of the City with respect to any excavation, construction, reconstruction or remodeling on the Site unless said work is undertaken in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

C. The City shall not approve any final plat of any phase of development on the Site unless said plat is in accordance with and meets the provisions and conditions of this Agreement.

D. All ordinances, regulations, and policies of the City now existing, or as may hereafter be enacted, shall apply to activity on and uses of the Site.