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Mayor Gary Becker Members of the Common Council c/o Janice Johnson-Martin, City Clerk

> Subject: Agreement with Ehlers and Associates, Inc. for Professional Services related to a Tax Increment District for the Uptown Commercial Area.

Dear Mayor Becker and Honorable Aldermen:

One way to continue to fund our redevelopment efforts in the Uptown Commercial Area is through a Tax Increment District (TID). I recommend that the city enter into a contract with Ehlers and Associates for the services needed to create the TID including preparation of the project plan for the district. The cost of the contract will be \$13,500.00. The cost of the contract is eligible for reimbursement by the TID after it is created.

Please refer this request to the Finance and Personnel Committee for its review and recommendation.

Sincerely,

Brian F. O'Connell

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C: David Brown, Finance Director Kristin Niemiec, RCEDC File