



City of Racine, Wisconsin

## AGENDA BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

<b>AGENDA DATE:</b>	March 1, 2018
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Progress and Plans on Water St.
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Kathryn Kasper, Purchasing Agent
<b>SUMMARY:</b>	<p>A multi City department Rootworks Committee has been formed with the intention of making the project formerly known as Machinery Row into a pad ready development site by the end of 2018.</p>
<b>PROJECT BACKGROUND &amp; ANALYSIS:</b>	<p>The Rootworks Committee has been meeting regularly to strategize on how to best accomplish the goals of the RDA, maintain transparency and serve the best interests of the community in a fiscally minded manner as relates to the Water Street Development area.</p> <p>The committee decided, as a whole, to enlist the services of an environmental and engineering firm to assist in writing the specification for remediation and demolition of the properties and construction management for the project. These requests for proposals went out Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and are due back on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Select committee members will review proposals after receipt and make a recommendation to RDA at the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.</p> <p>Once RDA approves moving forward with a firm for these services, attorney's office will assist the RDA in contracting with the approved firm. City Development, Purchasing and Public Works will work with the selected firm to carefully write specifications to be released for bid. The timelines as associated with this work are show in the attached outline of tasks.</p> <p>Other items are moving along in line with the main task of preparing specifications for the demolition. These include items such as requesting an extension on the current Idle Industrial grant, addressing existing monitoring wells on the properties, planning for future monitoring wells as required by DNR. Planning of the future public space is also being discussed and specific items as relates to that are being added to the Smart sheet program to plan future action items and dates.</p>
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>	Receive and file
<b>FISCAL NOTE:</b>	N/A