

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Subject: Brownfield Plan Amendment, Rifkin Scrap Iron and Metal, Inc., (Brownfield Plan Project No. 01-2008)

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Recommendation:

Recommending that City Council adopt the resolution approving the Brownfield Plan amendment for Rifkin Scrap Iron and Metal, Inc., 835 through 1227 N. Washington Avenue that is listed under the regular order of business.

Justification:

On August 11, 2008 the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority approved an amendment to the Brownfield Plan to include the Brownfield Plan Project No. 01-2008, Rifkin Scrap Iron and Metal, Inc., 835 through 1227 N. Washington Avenue. Rifkin Scrap Iron and Metal, Inc., will invest approximately \$18.2 million in site preparation and construction of a new scrap metal recycling processing plant, storage and office facility. This Brownfield Plan has been created for the purpose of facilitating the redevelopment of the property and to allow an application for a State of Michigan Brownfield Redevelopment Business Tax Credit.

The original Brownfield Plan was adopted by City Council on May 17, 1999 in compliance with State Act 381. The purpose of Brownfield legislation is to assist in the development of vacant and/or underutilized sites. The State Act requires that the City Council approve amendments to the plan and adopt a resolution after a duly advertised public hearing. The Public Hearing on the proposed amendment is also on the Council Agenda for the August 25, 2008 meeting. A notice was published in The Saginaw News. A notice was also sent to all taxing jurisdictions.

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Subject to any compelling reasons to the contrary that may develop after the public hearing, it is recommended that the City Council adopt the resolution approving the Brownfield Plan amendment for Rifkin Scrap Iron and Metal, Inc., 835 through 1227 N. Washington Avenue, which is listed under the regular order of business.

Council Action:

Council____ _____ moved that the recommendation from the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority be approved.