

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the City of Lowell to request approval pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121B §48 and 760 CMR 12 that requires the City of Lowell undergo a process to extend the Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Plan for an additional ten years.

The Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Plan was approved and accepted by the City Council by Vote dated June 8, 1999, which Plan was further approved by the Department of Housing and Community Development of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on January 27, 2000; and

A "Notice of Approval of the Plan and Declaration of Restrictions" was duly recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds on April 12, 2000 in Book 10761, Page 2; and

On January 27, 2020 the Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Plan will expire; and

The City desires to extend the plan for an additional ten years;

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121B §48 and 760 CMR 12 requires that the City of Lowell undergo a process to extend the Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Plan for an additional ten years.

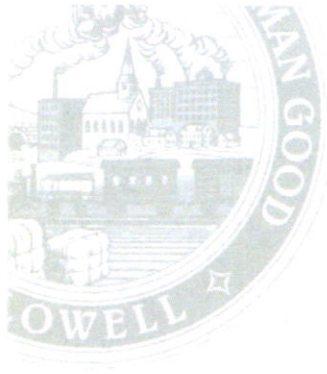
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED:

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Ch. 121B and the Code of Massachusetts Regulations 760 CMR 12 the City Council hereby approves the extension of the Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Plan for an additional ten years.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager be and is hereby authorized, in the name of the City of Lowell, to submit a request for approval of the aforementioned extension of the plan for an additional ten years to DHCD and to execute any documents as may be necessary in connection therewith.

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Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

Kara Keefe Mullin
Assistant City Manager

November 12, 2019

Mayor William J. Samaras
and
Members of the City Council

REFERENCE: Extension of Acre Plan

Dear Mayor Samaras and Members of the City Council:

Over the past 20 years, the City Manager's Office and the Department of Planning and Development (DPD) have made significant progress in implementing the Acre Urban Revitalization and Development Urban Renewal Plan (Acre Plan). This plan has helped to spur redevelopment in the Acre neighborhood, turning a once blighted area into a reinvigorated and dynamic area for the City. To date, a majority of the Acre Plan has been implemented in accordance with the vision set forth from its inception in 1999.

In order to continue to advance the reinvention of the Acre neighborhood, DPD is asking the City Council to extend the Acre Plan, which will expire in 2020, for a period of ten years to 2030.

The vote before the City Council will allow the City of Lowell – Department of Planning and Development to work on the Acre Plan for an additional ten years. The Law Department has prepared the necessary vote for your approval.

Sincerely,

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

EMD/ns
Attachment

cc: Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director
Christine O'Connor, City Solicitor
Claire V. Ricker, Chief Design Planner
Joseph Giniewicz, Urban Renewal Project Manager