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MEMORANDUM

TO: Kevin J. Murphy, City Manager 

FROM: Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director

SUBJECT: COUNCIL MOTION OF 7/11/17 BY COUNCILOR LEARY AND COUNCILOR SAMARAS
REQUEST CITY MANAGER PROVIDE STATUS ON THE RFP FOR THE HAMILTON CANAL
INNOVATION DISTRICT

Following the departure of WinnDevelopment as Master Developer of the Hamilton Canal Innovation District (HCID), the Department of Planning and Development (DPD) advertised an RFP to solicit a new Master Developer. The RFP was advertised on June 14th so that the open house marketing event of the district held on June 21st would occur during the solicitation period. The marketing event was well attended and included a tour of the district following the event. While the City is unable to identify how many individuals have downloaded the RFP from the City's web page, six groups took hard copies of the RFP with them following the event. DPD is in the process of reaching out to these parties to discuss the project.

The deadline for initial responses, which was to include information about the proposed development team and general project timeline were due July 11. No responses were received during this period. Final responses for developers' proposed development strategy, which would include more detailed information such as construction schedules, transportation demand management plan, and development pro-formas is scheduled for August 11, 2017.

In the interim, the City is continuing to work with Watermark, S&R Corporation, Lupoli Companies and WinnDevelopment - all organizations interested in either individual or a collection of parcels, which together would make redevelopment within the district consist of a dynamic mix of uses and revitalize this important gateway into the City.

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7/21/17

cc: Claire Ricker, Chief Design Planner
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