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COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

MAY 13, 2024 6:00 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Troy Warner, Rachel Tomas Morgan,
Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers, Sherry Bolden-
Simpson, Kaine Kanczuzewski

Committee Members Absent:

Thomas Gryp

Others Present:

Bianca L. Tirado, Elivet Quijada-Navarro,
Matthew Neal, Bob Palmer

Presenter(s):

Mark Bemenderfer, Tina Patton

Agenda:

Bill No. 24-16 — Declaratory Resolution
Real Property Tax Abatement 728 Harrison
Avenue — Cross Community, Inc

Members marked with an asterisk (*) are in virtual attendance.

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Committee Chair Troy Warner called to order the Community Investment Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Bill No. 24-16 — Declaratory Resolution Real Property Tax Abatement 728 Harrison Avenue — Cross Community, Inc

Mark Bemenderfer, Business Development Manager, with offices on the 14th floor of the County-City Building, stated that Bill No. 24-16 is a five (5) year single -family residential real property tax abatement for property located at 728 Harrison Avenue. The petitioner is Cross Community Inc., and they provide homeownership information to first (1st) time homebuyers. Cross Community is planning to invest two hundred and seventy thousand dollars (\$270,000) for the development of a new two (2) story home.

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DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS

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Tina Patton, President of Cross Community, with offices located at 707 Sherman Avenue, South Bend IN 46616, stated that Bill No. 24-16 is the third (3rd) tax abatement Cross Community has requested. Tina Patton stated that Cross Community is committed to redeveloping the northwest part of South Bend for residents seeking homes at an affordable price.

Committee Chair Warner asked committee members for comments, and nobody spoke.

Committee Chair Warner held the public hearing, and nobody spoke.

Councilmember Karen White thanked Tina Patton and her husband for their commitment to South Bend.

Councilmember Canneth Lee thanked Cross Community for taking on the challenge of redeveloping the northwest part of South Bend.

Committee Member Sherry Bolden-Simpson thanked Cross Community for upgrating neighborhoods in South Bend.

Committee Member Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers stated that she would like to see Cross Community expand their efforts into district two (2).

Committee Member Bolden-Simpson motioned to send Bill No. 24-16 to the Committee of the Whole with a favorable recommendation, which was seconded by Committee Member Gooden-Rodgers and carried by a vote of five (5) ayes with one (1) committee member absent.

Committee Chair Troy Warner - <i>Aye</i>	Committee Vice Chair Rachel Tomas Morgan – <i>Aye</i>
Committee Member Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers - <i>Aye</i>	Committee Member Sherry Bolden-Simpson – <i>Aye</i>
Committee Member Kaine Kanczuzewski - <i>Aye</i>	Committee Member Thomas Gryp - <i>Absent</i>

With no further business, Committee Chair Troy Warner adjourned the Community Investment Committee meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Troy Warner, Committee Chair

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