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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Sam Kooiker
Common Council

FROM: Allison Marsland, Assistant City Attorney

DATE: October 5, 2012

RE: City-owned Property located at 820 Lemmon Avenue

The history of the city-owned property at 820 Lemmon Avenue is extensive, and the last action took place at the July 2, 2012, Common Council meeting, at which the Council authorized the transfer of the property to the nonprofit NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources ("NeighborWorks). NeighborWorks has identified the Lemmon Avenue area for its Neighborhood of Choice program. In fact, the Lemmon Avenue Community Garden was installed through the Neighborhood of Choice community revitalization efforts of NeighborWorks.

A Memorandum of Understanding and a Quitclaim Deed to effectuate the authorized transfer are linked to this item. No money will be exchanged, however as the Council's July 2, 2012, action requires, any and all development and/or improvements to the real property generally known as 820 Lemmon Avenue must comply with federal, state, and City, laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances, including those pertaining to floodplain requirements.

Staff recommendation is to authorize the Mayor and Finance Officer to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding and Quitclaim Deed in order to transfer the property at 820 Lemmon Avenue to NeighborWorks.