



File #: 260062

RESOLUTION NO. 260062

Directing the City Manager to work in collaboration with City economic development agencies to craft outreach and negotiate with Costco Wholesale Corporation to retain the current store in substantial form or a store of similar or increased offerings, services, and size at 241 Linwood Boulevard.

WHEREAS, the Costco at 241 Linwood Boulevard has anchored the successful Midtown Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing Plan, first established by Council in 1994, colloquially referred to as the "Glover Plan;" and

WHEREAS, City Council has become aware of recent reports of a conversion in the business model at the Costco facility at 241 Linwood Boulevard from concerned Kansas City residents on social media outlets communicating directly to elected officials; and

WHEREAS, City Council has previously requested staff and economic development entities research recent reports of a conversion in the business model at the Costco facility at 241 Linwood Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, City Council appreciates the investment by Costco Wholesale Corporation in Midtown Kansas City and endeavors to see the relationship continue indefinitely; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. The City Manager is directed to work in collaboration with City economic development agencies to craft outreach and negotiate with Costco Wholesale Corporation to retain the current store in substantial form or a store of similar or increased offerings, services, and size at 241 Linwood Boulevard.

Section 2. The City Manager is directed to evaluate in collaboration with the Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, the City's contracted entity for business retention, tools and strategies for retention and long-term success for the Costco store operating at 241 Linwood Boulevard and further development in the former Midtown Redevelopment Tax Increment Financing Plan area, including development of adjacent vacant pad sites.