

AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 24-R-17 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Execution of a

Public Donation Agreement with the Republic Historical Society, Inc. for the Donation of Certain Real Property Located Near 217, 221 and 225 North Main Avenue to Serve as the Site for a Future Historical Museum.

Submitted By: David Cameron, City Administrator

Date: April 16, 2024

Issue Statement

To donate city owned property to the Historical Society for use as a future historical museum.

Discussion and/or Analysis

The Republic Historical Society approached the city with a request to donate the former Public Works property, located at 221 and 225 North Main Avenue (also identified as Groves Addition Lots 9, 10 and 11), and the pocket park located at 217 North Main Avenue (also identified as Groves Addition, Lots 7 and 8), and adjacent real property previously used for parking by Public Works staff members (also identified as Groves Addition, Lots 12 to and including 15). The purpose of the land donation is for the development of a future history museum, event center, and coffee shop. As the city is no longer utilizing this property after the move to the BUILDS facility, the city has no future use for the property. This development would contribute to the downtown revitalization effort.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval.