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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Northland I Area Plan addresses a roughly 18 square mile area bounded generally by Interstate 270 on the north and east, Cooke Road, Ferris Road, and Morse Road on the south, and the Norfolk Southern railroad tracks and Worthington city limits on the west. The update is intended to replace the existing 2001 Northland Plan - Volume I. The update also replaces the 1992 Northland Development Standards for the planning area. The standards will remain in effect for the Northland II area.

The update included data gathering and analysis, draft material preparation, and final plan review. Community participation throughout was coordinated with the Northland Community Council. Several public meetings were held during the planning process, a project website was used to share information and gather input, and staff conducted a number of stakeholder interviews. The Northland Community Council voted to recommend adoption of the update on December 3, 2013. The Columbus Development Commission considered the plan on December 12, 2013 and unanimously voted to recommend its adoption by City Council.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. No funding is required for this legislation.

To adopt the Northland I Area Plan as a guide for development, redevelopment, and planning of future public improvements.

WHEREAS, the updated Northland I Area Plan is intended to act as a guide for development, redevelopment, and planning of future public improvements; and

WHEREAS, staff worked with the Northland Community Council throughout the effort; and

WHEREAS, several public meetings were held during the planning process, a project website was used to share information and gather input, and stakeholder interviews were conducted; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Northland I Area Plan address zoning and land use issues, urban design, and other community priorities; and

WHEREAS, the updated plan replaces the 2001 Northland Plan - Volume I as well as the 1992 Northland Development Standards within the planning area; and

WHEREAS, the Northland Community Council endorsed the Northland I Area Plan and recommended adoption by City Council; and

WHEREAS, after public notice, a public hearing was held on December 12, 2013 at which the Development Commission approved the Northland I Area Plan and recommended its adoption to City Council; **now, therefore,**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Northland I Area Plan is hereby adopted to establish guidelines for planning, development, and redevelopment.

Section 2. That the Northland I Area Plan replaces the 2001 Northland Plan - Volume I as well as the 1992 Northland Development Standards within the planning area.

Section 3. That all city of Columbus departments and divisions are hereby authorized and directed to use the Northland I Area Plan in initiating or reviewing projects within the planning area or adjacent areas and to require that such projects generally conform to the plan.

Section 4. That the Department of Development is directed to monitor the use of the Northland I Area Plan, and to present to City Council any amendments necessary to keep the plan up-to-date.

Section 5. That copies of the Northland I Area Plan shall be kept on file in the Department of Development, Planning Division.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.