

**ORDINANCE NO. 3255**

APR 18 2016

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHMENT OF A BUSINESS DISTRICT IN COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS**



City Clerk

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois (the "City") has the authority to designate an area as a Business District pursuant to the Business District Development and Redevelopment Law, constituting Section 65 ILCS 5/11-74.3-1, et seq., as amended (the "Law"), to share business district sales tax revenues generated by a redevelopment project in the proposed Business District to induce a developer's undertaking and performance of such project; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to the City's economic and social welfare that its business districts be developed, maintained, and/or revitalized by assuring opportunities for development and attracting sound and stable commercial growth; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a plan from Main Street Redevelopers, LLC (the "Developer") titled "Main Street Abbey Business District; Business District Plan" (the "Plan") dated April 14, 2016, providing for development of the proposed Business District, and said Plan contains the Basis for Finding that the Business District is a Blighted Area under the Law; and

WHEREAS, the Law requires that the City set, by ordinance, the time and place for a public hearing on the proposal to approve a business district plan and designate a business district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.** The preceding recitations in the upper part of this Ordinance are realleged, restated and adopted as paragraph one (1) of this Ordinance; and

**Section 2.** The public hearing shall be held before the City Council on May 2, 2016, beginning at 6:45 p.m., at the City Hall; and

**Section 3.** The Mayor, City Clerk, and City Attorney are hereby authorized to publish and mail notices of the public hearing as required under the Act; and

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Alderman Ebersohl moved the adoption of the above and foregoing Ordinance; the motion was seconded by Alderman Martens, and the roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Reis, Holtkamp and Martens.

NAYS: None.

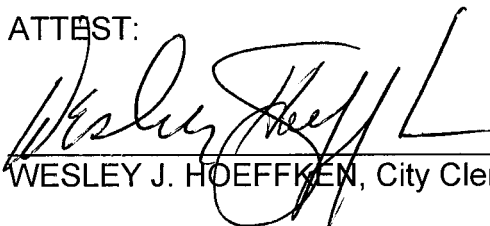
ABSENT: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor, this 18th day of April, 2016.

  
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KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, City Clerk

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