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To: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator

From: Timothy Huey, Planning Director

Date: August 27, 2018

Re: Approval of the first of two readings of an ordinance to rezone a 3.56-acre tract, more or less, from "Agricultural-Preservation (A-P)" to "Single-Family Residential (R-1)" at the property located at 25600 195<sup>th</sup> Street, legally described as Part of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 5 in LeClaire Township

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the rezoning in accordance with staff's recommendation. Even though this property is zoned Ag-Preservation it is shown in an area on the Future Land Use Map as anticipated for residential development and also an area to be considered for annexation into the City of LeClaire. The rezoning is intended to allow further subdivision to create two (2) additional home sites to the west of the existing residence on the property.

The Planning Commission will be reviewing the applicant's minor subdivision submittal at the September 4 Planning Commission meeting. That minor plat proposes to subdivide the property into three lots which would create two additional building sites in this location with access to Forest Grove Road/195<sup>th</sup> Street. Approval of this rezoning would be a prerequisite prior to approval of any replat of this property.

At the rezoning public hearing the Planning Commission discussed the fact that even though this property was zoned A-P it was an existing residential property that had no ag use and it was in an area where all of the adjacent farmland was zoned A-G and was shown on the Future Land Use Map as anticipated for residential development. Furthermore it had existing golf courses on three sides and the City of LeClaire did not express any interest in annexing the property.

The Commission determined that the request met a preponderance of the other criteria of the land use policies to allow this rezoning so that the proposed subdivision of the property to allow two additional residences could be submitted.

**PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** The Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to rezone this property from Agricultural-Preservation (A-P) to Single-Family Residential (R-1) based on its compliance with a preponderance of the criteria of the Revised Land-Use Policies

Vote: All Ayes (5-0)

Roxanna Moritz, County Auditor