

## **M. HAYMARKET 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

### **1. Revitalization Project Description**

The Haymarket 7th & 8th Street Core Redevelopment Project incorporates three blocks of the Historic Haymarket District of downtown Lincoln. Exhibit IV - 128 identifies the project area. It consists of Blocks 31, 32 and 45 of the original plat of the City of Lincoln. This three block area consists of mixed uses including offices, warehouses, restaurants, arts galleries and studios, speciality shops, housing and surface parking. Exhibit IV- 129 identifies existing land use within the project area.

The goals of this redevelopment project are to realize additional reinvestment in the Haymarket and to provide public improvements that support private development and rehabilitation within the project area. This redevelopment project includes the development of a new 6 - 7 story mixed use building on lots 3 and 4 of Block 31, the renovation of existing buildings on Block 45 into an integrated mixed use complex.

Publicly funded redevelopment activities could include demolition, site preparation and remediation, acquisition, facade improvements, parking improvements and utility improvements; streetscape amenities would include sidewalks, curbs and gutters, plantings, and street furniture. These improvements correspond to several of the downtown redevelopment goals identified in Section I. The redevelopment project addresses these goals in the following ways:

- Encourages private development in the project area that supports and enhances the architectural character of the Haymarket District
- Utilizes an underdeveloped lot / removes blight
- Increases the supply of diverse housing stock
- Supports the vision of a revitalized downtown by adding a mixed use commercial / residential building at a key intersection and the terminus of a key corridor in the Haymarket.
- Integrates streetscape and landscape improvements in the project area with existing amenities



**Exhibit IV-128**  
**Haymarket Area Redevelopment Project**

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**Exhibit IV - 129 Existing Uses**  
**Haymarket Area Redevelopment Project**

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**Landuse**

-  Commercial NEC
-  Commercial w/Residential Units Above

-  Parking Lot
-  Light Industrial
-  Public & Semi-Public
-  Vacated ROW

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## **2. Statutory elements**

### **a. Property Acquisition Relocation Demolition and Disposal**

Accomplishing the Haymarket 7th & 8th Street Core Redevelopment Project will involve the assembly of some property on Block 31 and may involve acquisition, sales or reconveyances as provided by law and consistent with the plan. The City may acquire property for public infrastructure and other needs. Specifically, the City may consider acquisition of an abandoned railroad spur that lies between lots 3 and 2 on Block 31, using the City's eminent domain authority if necessary. Exhibit IV-130 identifies the proposed uses in the project area.

### **b. Population Density**

There are a total of 105 residential units in the project area today, all of which are located in mixed use buildings. These include 60 units in the Hardy Building at 335 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street, 16 units in the Haymarket Loft Building at 311 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street, 26 units in the Grainger Building at 105 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and 3 units in the Burkholder Project at 719 P Street. All of these units will remain after implementation of the redevelopment agreements. The development at 727 R Street will add an additional 35-50 condominium units to this area. This project will include two levels of on site, underground parking with 70 parking stalls for residents / tenants. The plans for the redevelopment of 737 P Street also includes the option of adding additional housing to the district at a future date. The Creamery Building at 701 P Street is currently being redeveloped into a mixed use project that will include 12 residential units. We anticipate these units will be completed in 2004-05.

### **c. Land Coverage and Building Density**

Land coverage and building density will be altered with the implementation of this project. The existing building and the surface parking on lots 3 & 4 of block 31 will be demolished and replaced with a new six - seven story mixed use building. All other existing buildings within the project area will remain. The proposed uses are shown on Exhibit IV-130.



**Exhibit IV - 130 Proposed Land Use  
Haymarket Area Redevelopment Project**

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**Landuse**

-  Commercial NEC
-  Commercial w/Residential Units Above
-  Parking Lot

-  Light Industrial
-  Public & Semi-Public
-  Vacated ROW
-  Potential Vacation by the City and streetscape improvements by the developer; or potential right of way license issued to developer and streetscape improvements by the City.

  
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#### **d. Traffic Flow, Street Layout and Street Grades**

The existing street system within the project area will remain essentially unchanged as a result of implementation of this project. The Block 31 project envisions a bank tenant that will have drive thru service for cars entering through the east-west alley separating lots 3 and 4 from lots 9 and 10 and exiting on R Street. The building's underground parking will also utilize an off alley entrance and will exit onto R Street. The Salvation Army complex development envisions removal of the curb cuts on P street and filling in this area with additional parking and vacation of some sidewalk rights of way. The proposed Block 45 redevelopment includes reconstruction of the sidewalk area that will result in a reduction of the street width on both P and 8<sup>th</sup>. This reduction would bring these two blocks into line with the existing dimensions of 8<sup>th</sup> Street to the north of the project and on P Street to the east of the project.

Pedestrian amenities may be constructed in the right of way adjacent to both the proposed Block 31 and Salvation Army complex projects and may include expansion of the landscaped median on 7<sup>th</sup> Street between R and Q Streets.

#### **e. Parking**

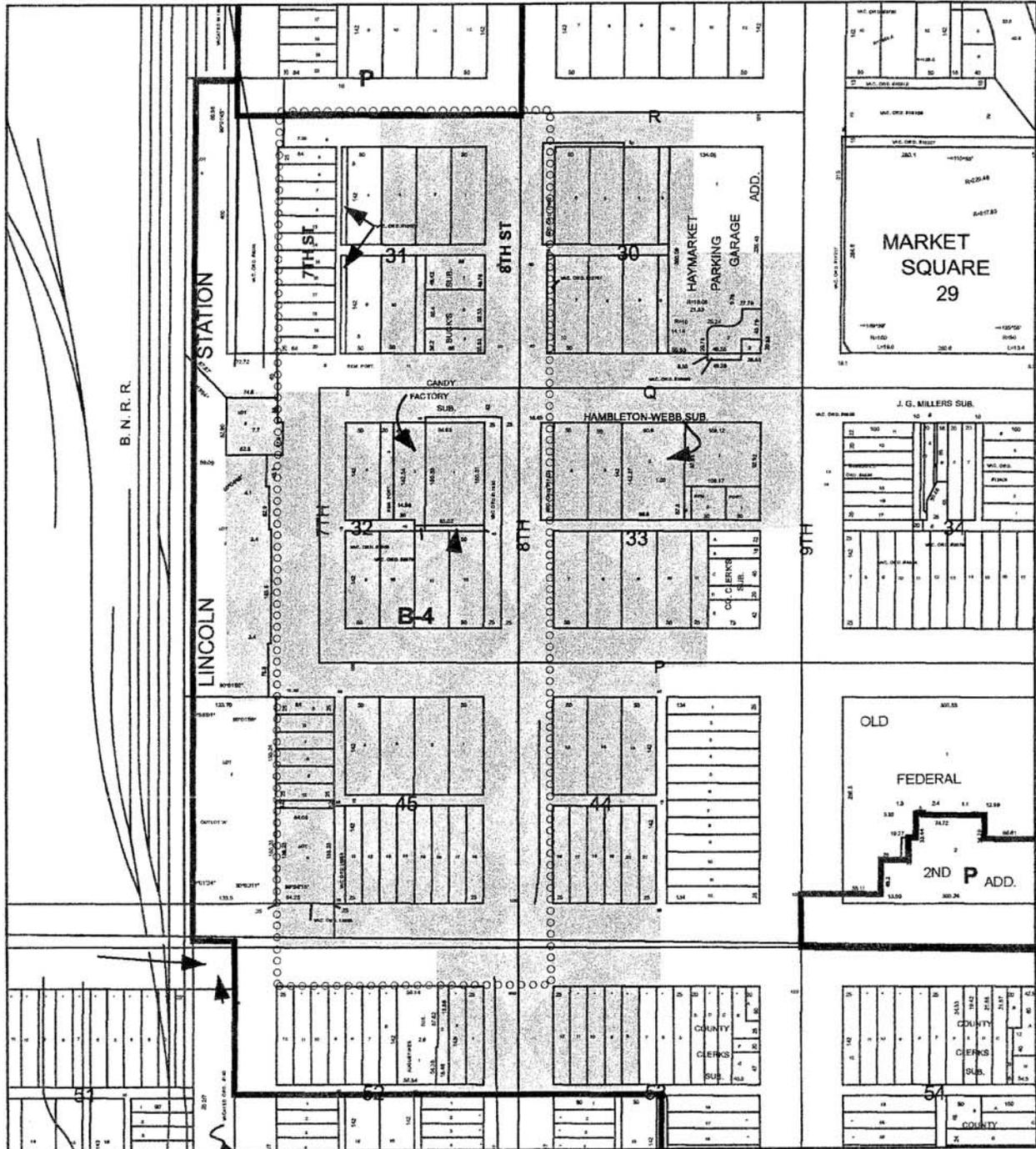
Parking in the project area consists of private surface parking lots (Blocks 31, 32 and 45) and on street parking. The Block 31 project area currently contains 32 surface parking stalls on lot 3. As a result of this project, this surface parking will be removed. Two - three levels of underground parking with at total of up to 70 stalls for building's residents and commercial tenants will be constructed on this site. The Salvation Army complex development may include 15-30 stalls of basement parking for tenants and will include an addition of up to 8 on-street parking stalls as part of the streetscape improvements.

Nearby covered public parking facilities that serve the area include the Haymarket Garage (410 spaces) and the Market Place garage (384 spaces). Surface parking is available at the Iron Horse Park lot (150 spaces) and Lincoln Station South (93 spaces) and the Lumberworks (77 spaces). There is also private parking on Block 32 and USPS customer and employee parking around the post office.

#### **f. Zoning, Building Codes and Ordinances**

The area is located within the Historic Haymarket District and is zoned B-4, a business zone that allows for a wide range of uses including the mixed use commercial and housing developments that are being proposed. (See Exhibit IV-131)

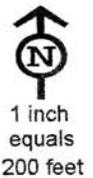
The conceptual plans for construction for both projects have been reviewed and approved by the Historic Preservation Commission. Zoning will remain unchanged as a result of this project. The Uniform building code for the abatement of dangerous buildings, the



**Exhibit IV-131**  
**Haymarket Area Redevelopment Project**

- Haymarket Historic District
- OR78 Project
- Zoning Boundary
- Landbase

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Uniform Building Code and their specific City amendments will properly protect the health, safety and welfare of the people. At this time, there are no contemplated changes in the City zoning laws or building codes to implement this project.

**g. Public Infrastructure**

New infrastructure improvements are anticipated to be needed as a result of this project. These improvements may include alley improvements, new curbs, sidewalks, lighting, plant material, street furniture and other streetscape improvements. This project may include development of new public landscaping and open space in the 7<sup>th</sup> Street median to the west of the Block 31 project area and the development of a pedestrian passageway on the east side of lot 3 Block 31. The City may also work with the developer to improve public utilities serving these two developments.

**h. Cost Benefit Analysis**

A cost-benefit analysis will be prepared and included as a part of the material that will be presented to City Council

**3. Proposed Costs and Financing**

The proposed cost and financing of the Haymarket 7th & 8th Street Core Redevelopment Project is identified below:

Block 31

Estimated cost of implementation of this mixed use project is \$9,600,000. This includes an estimated private investment of \$8,300,000 and \$600,000 of public investment.

Block 45

Estimated cost of implementation of this mixed use project is \$2,500,000. This includes an estimated private investment of \$2,300,000 and \$200,000 of public investment.

Public Investment may assist in acquisition, demolition and site preparation and remediation on Block 31 and public improvements in the project area. Those improvements are likely to include: blight clearance and removal, utility improvements, facade improvements, parking improvements in conjunction with the increased intensity and development of a public walkway between lots 2 and 3 of Block 31 and streetscape improvements throughout the project area. The streetscape improvements could include sidewalk construction, curb and gutter construction, parking reconfiguration, landscaping, installation of pedestrian lighting, benches, trash receptacles, bike racks, signage and other street furniture and landscape plantings. The amounts and uses of public funding will be more specifically identified as part of redevelopment agreements that will be prepared with the developers of the Block 31 and Block 45 projects.

## Funding Sources

The source of public funds for these improvements will be community improvement financing generated from the private developments within the project area. Community Improvement Financing is estimated to be \$800,000.

### **4. Implementation Steps**

Under Nebraska Community Development Law, the first step in the redeveloping an area is for the City to declare the area blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment / revitalization. The Lincoln City Council completed this first step by declaring the Downtown Area blighted on October 22, 1984, and affirmed by resolution on October 19, 1987, the area as “blighted and substandard.” The City Council determined that private enterprise could not redevelop this area without the assistance provided by the Community Development Law (see Blight Resolutions, Appendix 1 and Appendix 9).

Implementation steps for the Haymarket 7th & 8th Street Core Redevelopment Project:

- Negotiate redevelopment agreements with developers of Blocks 31 and 45 and receive City Council approval of redevelopment agreements.
- Issue and sell Community Improvement Financing bonds or notes.
- Select architects and engineers pursuant to city standard practice to design streetscape improvements.
- Approve the streetscape improvement design.
- Competitively select primary contractor to construct public improvements.
- Construct public facilities and improvements.