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AGENDA REPORT

City of Santa Clara, California

Agenda Item # 5/

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Date:

June 8, 2011

To:

City Council for Action

Redevelopment Agency for Action

From:

Jamie L. Matthews, Mayor for City Council & Chairperson for Redevelopment Agency

Subject:

Letter from Montana Group Requesting Exclusive Negotiating Agreement Regarding

Development of Two City-owned Parcels across from the Proposed Stadium Project Site

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City received a letter from Mezzetti Law Firm, Inc. representing Joseph C. Montana Jr. and his investment group. The Montana Group is interested in working with the City to develop two City-owned parcels (APNs 104-03-038 and 104-03-039) located across from the proposed Stadium Project site into an entertainment location, which could possibly include a luxury hotel, sports bar, restaurant, and entertainment venue. In order to pursue this possible development, the Montana Group is requesting an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement with the City for a period of 18 months.

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF ISSUE:

Acknowledging this request from the Montana Group and developing a process for consideration is consistent with City practices. There are no identified disadvantages.

ECONOMIC/FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no economic impact to reviewing the request.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council/Redevelopment Agency review the letter from Montana Group, requesting an exclusive negotiating agreement to develop two City-owned parcels across from the proposed Stadium Project site, consider the City Manager's agenda report outlining options for processing the request, and provide Council direction to the City Manager.

Jamie **Y**. Matthews

Mayor for City Council /

Chairperson for Redevelopment Agency

Documents Related to this Report:

1) Montana Group Request Letter date 12/06/10

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December 6, 2010

Honorable Patricia Mahan, Mayor Members of the City Council City of Santa Clara 1500 Warburton Avenue Santa Clara, CA 95050

RE: MONTANA/APN #'s 104-03-038 and 104-03-039

Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

I have been retained to assist Joseph C. Montana Jr and his investment group, which group includes Edward DeBartolo Jr., in connection with APN #'s 104-03-038 and 104-03-039 (the Property)

Mr. Montana is interested in working with the City to develop the Property into an entertainment location that may include a luxury hotel, sports bar, upscale restaurant and entertainment venue. We believe such a location would complement the 49er stadium, bring additional revenue to the City, have a positive impact on existing businesses, attract other businesses to the area, and increase neighboring property values. Given the expense and effort involved in planning such a development, the Montana group respectfully requests the City execute an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) to allow an 18 month period for my client to reach a design/build contract with the City. Mr. Montana and his investors have extensive experience developing commercial and residential projects and have the ability to fund such a project.

Please consider my clients' request and advise whether the City is interested in negotiating an ENA.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

ROB:jam

CC: client

Jennifer Sparacino, City Manager Ronald Garratt, Assistant City Manager