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To: Members of the Economic Development Commission, Tulsa Development Authority, Tulsa Industrial Authority, Tulsa Parking Authority, and Tulsa Public Facilities Authority

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Subject: July Update RE: Community and Economic Development Strategic Planning

Current Status

With the initial phase of stakeholder engagement completed, HR&A is preparing for two key meetings that will occur in early and mid-July with the Working Committee (comprised of key staff and entity Chairs) and the Steering Committee (comprised of community and business leaders, City Council leadership, the Mayor, and entity Chairs). These meetings are currently scheduled for July 9th and July 13th, respectively. The focus of these meetings will be to:

- Review findings from Phase 1 (Vision and Stakeholder Engagement) and Phase 2 (Assess and Diagnose) of the project.
- Discuss strengths and weaknesses, and key areas for improvement and focus as it relates to the City of Tulsa’s economic and community development efforts and the entities under study.
- Analyze potential paths for consideration as it relates to future organizational improvements and structure.

We expect to receive the second deliverable for the project, an Organizational Inventory and Assessment, in advance of these meetings; this assessment will be shared with the members of each entity, as well as key staff engaged in this process. With the delivery of the Inventory and Assessment, we will move into the 3rd Phase of the project, which will focus on developing recommendations, and will include a review of national best practices; an analysis of the city’s unified vision and priority outcomes; and research on investments, activities, policies, and programs which will play a critical role in implementing the city’s economic and community development strategy.