June 29, 2017

Michael Centinario City of Bloomington 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road Bloomington, MN 55431-3027

RE: City of Bloomington Adjoining Lands Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Complete for

Review

Metropolitan Council Review File No. 20427-6 Metropolitan Council District No. 5

Dear Mr. Centinario:

The Metropolitan Council received the City's Adjoining Lands plan amendment on June 12, 2017. The amendment reguides 31 acres from Innovation and Technology to High Intensity Mixed Use at 8201 24th Avenue S. and 8200 28th Avenue S. The purpose of the amendment is to modify the guiding land use in the South Loop area based on development interest. There is no specific development proposal now, but the City determined that the change was consistent with the South Loop's planning vision as well as with assumptions and analysis in the South Loop District AUAR, which was recently updated and reviewed by the Council (Review File 18655-5). Council staff finds the proposed plan amendment complete for review.

Under Metropolitan Council comprehensive plan amendment review procedures, outlined in the *Local Planning Handbook*, the Council has 60 days to complete its formal review of the plan amendment. The 60-day period ends on August 11, 2017. The Council will not be able to complete its review within the initial 60 calendar day deadline because of scheduling conflicts. Therefore, the Council is extending the review period for an additional 60-day period. This extends the review period to October 9, 2017.

Staff will notify you of committee and full Council review schedule and forward a copy of the staff report for review when it is mailed to the Council's Community Development Committee. If you have any questions, please call Michael Larson, Principal Reviewer, at 651-602-1407.

Sincerely,

LisaBeth Barajas, Manager Local Planning Assistance

CC: Steve Elkins, Metropolitan Council District No. 5

Michael Larson, AICP, Sector Representative / Principal Reviewer

Raya Esmaeili, Reviews Coordinator

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