



## Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

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**TO:** CRA Board of Commissioners  
**FROM:** Krista Walker, Contracts Manager  
**THROUGH:** Renée A. Jadusingh, Esq., CRA Executive Director  
**DATE:** May 26, 2020

SECOND AMENDMENT TO COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT - 182 NW 5 AVENUE (THE MONOGRAM CLOSET)

### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the Second Amendment to the Commercial Lease Agreement for The Monogram Closet at 182 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue for extending the lease for one (1) year at a rate of \$20.00/SF (Gross) or a monthly rent of \$2,416.66.

### **Background:**

The CRA awarded a 4-year commercial lease agreement to The Monogram Closet on April 24, 2015 after accepting their proposal to lease the CRA-owned commercial space at 182 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. At the June 11, 2019 Board meeting a First Amendment was granted for a one (1) year extension. The term of the lease is set to expire at midnight on June 30, 2020 (the expiration date) unless the parties agree to extend the term of the lease for three additional one (1) year terms upon the execution of a written amendment to this Lease.

The CRA received a letter from Sabrina Amelung, Owner on May 11, 2020 with a request to extend the lease for one (1) year. As a result, a Second Amendment to the Commercial Lease Agreement has been prepared extending the lease for 1 year at a rate of \$20.00/SF (Gross) or a monthly rent of \$2,416.66. During the 5 year commercial lease agreement, the Monogram Closet has been in good standing with compliance of the terms and provisions of the lease agreement.

Business activity is identified and encouraged in the Community Redevelopment Plan for the NW & SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Beautification Project (Project #2.1) as it relates to the history of the once successful commercial and institutional corridor in the heart of the City's West Settler's Historic District. The objective is to revitalize the corridor into a thriving district for neighborhood businesses and cultural activities. The continuation of the commercial business on NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue also furthers the CRA's more current Focus on 5<sup>th</sup> Initiative, which encourages the strategic activation of CRA-owned properties with uses that enhance business activity and pedestrian activity. Thus, approval of the Second Amendment to the Lease Agreement is recommended.

### **CRA Attorney Review:**

The CRA Attorney reviewed the Second Amendment to the Lease Agreement to form and determined it to be accepted.

### **Finance Review:**

N/A

### **Funding Source/Financial Impact:**

N/A

**Timing of Request:**

Timing sensitivity due to expiration of current lease on June 30, 2020.

Attachments: Exhibit A - Location Map; Exhibit B - Second Amendment to the Commercial Lease Agreement for The Monogram Closet at 182 NW 5 Avenue; Exhibit C - Monogram Closet Letter Requesting Lease Extension