# 1999 Annual Report

# Pulaski Corridor Redevelopment Project Area



Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)

JUNE 30, 2000



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June 30, 2000

Mr. Christopher R. Hill Commissioner Department of Planning and Development 121 N. LaSalle St. Chicago, Illinois 60602

#### Commissioner Hill:

Enclosed is the annual report for the Pulaski Corridor Redevelopment Project Area, which we compiled at the direction of the Department of Planning and Development pursuant to Section 5(d) of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-1 et seq.), as amended. The contents are based on information provided to us by the Chicago Departments of Planning and Development, Finance, and Law. We have not audited, verified, or applied agreed upon accounting and testing procedures to the data contained in this report. Therefore, we express no opinion on its accuracy or completeness.

It has been a pleasure to work with representatives from the Department of Planning and Development and other City departments.

Very truly yours,

Ernst & Young LLP

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City of Chicago Richard M. Daley, Mayor

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Mr. Daniel W. Hynes Comptroller State of Illinois Office of the Comptroller 201 Capitol Springfield, IL 62706

Comptroller Hynes:

We have compiled the attached information for the Pulaski Corridor Redevelopment Project Area (Report) pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d).

Very Truly Yours,

Christopher R. Hill Commissioner

Department of Planning and Development

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#### (1) DATE OF DESIGNATION OR TERMINATION - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(1.5)

The Project Area was designated on June 9, 1999. The Project Area may be terminated no later than June 9, 2022.

#### (2) AUDITED FINANCIALS - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(2)

During 1999, no financial activity or cumulative deposits over \$100,000 occurred in the Project Area. Therefore, no audited statements were prepared pertaining to the Special Tax Allocation Fund for the Project Area.

(3) MAYOR'S CERTIFICATION - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(3)

STATE OF ILLINOIS	)
	)
COUNTY OF COOK	)

#### CERTIFICATION

TO:

Daniel W. Hynes Comptroller State of Illinois 201 Capitol Springfield, Illinois 62706

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I, RICHARD M. DALEY, in connection with the annual report (the "Report") of information required by Section 11-74.4-5(d) of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, 65 ILCS5/11-74.4-1 et seq, (the "Act") with regard to the Pulaski Corridor Redevelopment Project Area (the "Redevelopment Project Area"), do hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I am the duly qualified and acting Mayor of the City of Chicago, Illinois (the "City") and, as such, I am the City's Chief Executive Officer. This Certification is being given by me in such capacity.
- 2. During the preceding fiscal year of the City, being January 1 through December 31, 1999, the City complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of the Act, as applicable from time to time, regarding the Redevelopment Project Area.
- 3. In giving this Certification, I have relied on the opinion of the Corporation Counsel of the City furnished in connection with the Report.
  - 4. This Certification may be relied upon only by the addressees hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature as of this 30th day of June, 2000.

Richard M. Daley, Mayor City of Chicago, Illinois

(4) OPINION BY LEGAL COUNSEL - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(4)



City of Chicago Richard M. Daley, Mayor

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Re: Pulaski Corridor

Redevelopment Project Area (the "Redevelopment Project Area")

#### Dear Addressees:

I am Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago, Illinois (the "City"). In such capacity, I am providing the opinion required by Section 11-74.4-5(d)(4) of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-1 et seq. (the "Act"), in connection with the submission of the report (the "Report") in accordance with, and containing the information required by, Section 11-74.4-5(d) of the Act for the Redevelopment Project Area.

Attorneys, past and present, in the Law Department of the City familiar with the requirements of the Act have had general involvement in the proceedings

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affecting the Redevelopment Project Area, including the preparation of ordinances adopted by the City Council of the City with respect to the following matters: approval of the redevelopment plan and project for the Redevelopment Project Area, designation of the Redevelopment Project Area as a redevelopment project area and adoption of tax increment allocation financing for the Redevelopment Project Area, all in accordance with the then applicable provisions of the Act. Various departments of the City, including, if applicable, the Law Department, Department of Planning and Development, Department of Housing, Department of Finance and Office of Budget and Management, have personnel responsible for and familiar with the activities in the Redevelopment Project Area affecting such Department(s) and with the requirements of the Act in connection therewith. Such personnel are encouraged to seek and obtain, and do seek and obtain, the legal guidance of the Law Department with respect to issues that may arise from time to time regarding the requirements of, and compliance with, the Act.

In my capacity as Corporation Counsel, I have relied on the general knowledge and actions of the appropriately designated and trained staff of the Law Department and other applicable City Departments involved with the activities affecting the Redevelopment Project Area. In addition, I have caused to be examined or reviewed by members of the Law Department of the City the certified audit report, to the extent required to be obtained by Section 11-74.4-5(d)(9) of the Act and submitted as part of the Report, which is required to review compliance with the Act in certain respects, to determine if such audit report contains information that might affect my opinion. I have also caused to be examined or reviewed such other documents and records as were deemed necessary to enable me to render this opinion. Nothing has come to my attention that would result in my need to qualify the opinion hereinafter expressed, subject to the limitations hereinafter set forth, unless and except to the extent set forth in an Exception Schedule attached hereto as Schedule 1.

Based on the foregoing, I am of the opinion that, in all material respects, the City is in compliance with the provisions and requirements of the Act in effect and then applicable at the time actions were taken from time to time with respect to the Redevelopment Project Area.

This opinion is given in an official capacity and not personally and no personal liability shall derive herefrom. Furthermore, the only opinion that is expressed is the opinion specifically set forth herein, and no opinion is implied or should be inferred as to any other matter. Further, this opinion may be relied upon only by the addressees hereof and the Mayor of the City in providing his required certification in connection with the Report, and not by any other party.

Very truly yours,

Trava S. Heorges

Mara S. Georges Corporation Counsel

### SCHEDULE 1

(Exception Schedule)

- (X) No Exceptions
- ( ) Note the following Exceptions:

### (5) ANALYSIS OF TIF FUND - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(5)

During 1999, there was no financial activity.

#### (6) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(6)

During 1999, the City did not purchase any property in the Project Area.

#### (7) STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(7)

- (a) Projects implemented in the preceding fiscal year. Table 7(a)
- (b) A description of the redevelopment activities undertaken.
- (c) Agreements entered into by the City with regard to disposition or redevelopment of any property within a TIF area. Table 7(c)
- (d) Additional information on the use of all TIF Funds received in a TIF area and steps taken by the City to achieve objectives of the plan.
- (e) Information on contracts that the City's consultants have entered into with parties that have received, or are receiving payments financed by TIF revenues produced by the TIF area. Table 7(e)
- (f) Joint Review Board Reports submitted to the City.
- (g) Project-by-project review of public and private investment undertaken to date after the new TIF Act and expected to be undertaken in the following year, and ratio of private investment to public investment to the date of the report and as estimated to the completion of the redevelopment project. Table 7(g)

(7)(a) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(7)(a)

During 1999, no projects were implemented.

(7)(b) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(b)

Redevelopment activities undertaken within this Redevelopment Project Area during the preceding fiscal year, if any, have been made pursuant to i) the Redevelopment Plan for the Area, and ii) the one or more Redevelopment Agreements affecting the Area, and are set forth on Table 5 herein by TIF-eligible expenditure category.

(7)(c) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(c)

During 1999, no agreements were entered into with regard to the disposition or redevelopment of any property within the Project Area.

(7)(d) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(d)

The district has not yet received any increment.

(7)(e) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(e)

During 1999, no contracts were entered into by the City's tax increment advisors or consultants with entities or persons that have received, or are receiving, payments financed by tax increment revenues produced by the Project Area.

(7)(f) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(f)

Please see attached.

March 22, 1999

Christopher R. Hill
Commissioner
Department of Planning & Development
City of Chicago
121 North LaSalle Street, Room 1000
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Re: Joint Review Board Review of the Proposed Pulaski Corridor Tax Increment Financing
District

Dear Commissioner Hill:

The Joint Review Board met on February 26, 1999 to review planning documents and other information associated with the Pulaski Corridor tax increment financing (TIF) district proposed by the City of Chicago:

Based on the Board's review of the information presented at this meeting as reflected in the public record of this meeting, the members unanimously agree that the proposed TIF district satisfies the eligibility criteria defined in Section 11.74.4-3 of the Illinois Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act.

Sincerely,

Chicago Park District

JRB Chairperson

cc: Ken Gotsch, JRB Designated Representative (Chicago Board of Education)
Dolores Javier, JRB Designated Representative (Chicago Community Colleges, Dist. 108)
Gwendolyn Clemons, JRB Designated Representative (Cook County)
John McCormick, JRB Designated Representative (City of Chicago)
MarySue Barrett, JRB Public Member
Elvin Charity, Chairman, City of Chicago Community Development Commission

(7)(g) - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4(d)(7)(g)

During 1999, no public investment was undertaken in the Project Area. As of December 31, 1999, no public investment was estimated to be undertaken for 2000.

# (8) DOCUMENTS RELATING TO OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY THE CITY - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(8)(A)

During 1999, there were no obligations issued for this Project Area.

#### (9) ANALYSIS OF DEBT SERVICE - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(8)(B)

During 1999, there were no obligations issued for the Project Area.

#### (10) CERTIFIED AUDIT REPORTS - 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-5(d)(9)

During 1999, there were no tax increment expenditures or cumulative deposits over \$100,000 within the Project Area. Therefore, no compliance statement was provided for this section.

#### (11) GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Project Area is generally linear in shape and parallels the former Chicago Minneapolis St. Paul (CMSP&P) railroad right-of-way between Belmont and North Avenues along its north/south axis. There are also several linear corridors extending from this main spine. The corridors are aligned along the following arterial streets: Fullerton Avenue between Springfield Avenue and Kostner Avenue; North Avenue between Lowell Avenue and Ridgeway Avenue; and Grand Avenue between Hamlin Avenue and Lowell Avenue. The map below illustrates the location and general boundaries of the Project Area. For precise boundaries, please consult the legal description in the Redevelopment Plan.

