

Resolution Number 72

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Prioritization of St. Louis City location

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2014 the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Chief News and Information Officer Christine Phillips confirmed the agency's plans to close its South City operations center and relocate more than 3,000 of its St. Louis City employees to a yet to be determined site, with many possible locations outside of the city of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, our elected officials and development agency work diligently to retain and grow businesses within the city of St. Louis in an effort to increase the job base, and NGA is currently one of the largest employers in the city; and

WHEREAS, The 3,000 jobs housed at the current NGA location are vital to the economic health of the city of St. Louis, through earning tax revenues and economic support of surrounding businesses and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, the movement of the agency outside of our urban core contrasts with smart growth principles that encourage investment in high density areas that are easily accessible to mass transit; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen understands and appreciates the importance of the agency's mission in regards to our national security and intelligence and have long been proud of its location right here in our city; and

WHEREAS, if the NGA and the city work diligently together for a solution, the federal government's considerations of zoning, commuting, infrastructure, development suitability and quality of site can be met within the boundaries of the city of St. Louis; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we request the NGA to make keeping these jobs within the City of St. Louis a top priority as they consider relocation sites and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings.

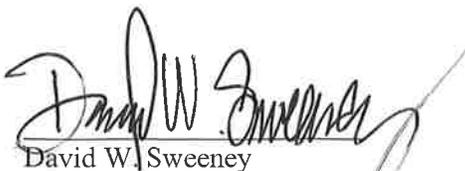
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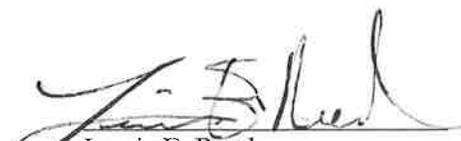
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Adopted this the 6th day of June, 2014 as attested by:


David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen


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