



## DEPARTMENTAL SUBMISSION

DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development

FILE NUMBER: Planning & Development-0662

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**\* RE:**

**Approval of Property Transfer between the City of Detroit and the Detroit Land Bank Authority**

**\* SUMMARY:**

Pursuant to the Land Bank Fast Track Act, 2003 PA 258, MCL 124.751 to 124.774 (Land Bank Act), the Detroit Land Bank Authority ("DLBA") was created as a separate legal entity, in order to assemble or dispose of public property in a coordinated manner, to foster the development of that property, to promote economic growth in the City of Detroit and to combat blight.

The Detroit Land Bank Authority has implemented a range of policies to provide for the disposition of the properties that it acquires, including sales to owner occupants, sales of side lots and auctions of properties.

In 2014, your Honorable Body initially authorized the transfer of 16,399 properties from the City to the DLBA for the purposes stated. The last such transfer was approved by your Honorable Body in April 2023, at which time 16 properties were transferred by the City to the DLBA.

As the City and DLBA continually acquire property through various means, a periodic transfer of properties between the City of Detroit and the DLBA is necessary for both entities to conduct land strategies efficiently and effectively.

At this time, the City has identified 145 properties that we wish to acquire from the DLBA ("DLBA Transfer Properties") for:

**(1) DWSD Fenkell Bioretention Project** – This project is currently under discussion with Detroit Water and Sewerage in the Brightmoor area.

**(2) 16745 Lamphere** – Leased by the City to Michigan State University

**(3) 2993, 2987, 2981 Alter** - The acquisition of these properties would provide parking for the city owned building at 2952 Alter.

- (4) **9514, 9556 Oakland** – To assemble properties in the North End area to market for Development.
- (5) **3523 Elmwood** – To consider proposed development of Childcare center
- (6) **10474, 10468 Knodell** – To assemble industrial sites for development
- (7) **1904, 1908, 1912, 1918 Superior** – Located adjacent to Forest Park. For potential Right of Way expansion in area.
- (8) **3707 Richton** – For inclusion in Request for proposals

**\* RECOMMENDATION:**

We, hereby, respectfully request that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution that authorizes the City to acquire the DLBA Transfer Properties, as listed in the attached Exhibit A, from the Detroit Land Bank, a Michigan public body corporate, for no consideration.

We further request that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution that authorizes the Planning and Development Department Director, or his/her authorized designee, to transfer the City Transfer Properties, as listed in the attached Exhibit B, to the Detroit Land Bank Authority, a Michigan public body corporate, for no consideration.

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