



DEPARTMENTAL SUBMISSION

DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development

FILE NUMBER: Planning & Development-0755

*** RE:**

Submitting reso. autho. Sale of Wayne County Tax Foreclosed Occupied Homes

*** SUMMARY:**

Under the General Property Tax Act (1893 PA 206) (the “Act”), the City of Detroit (“City”) has an annual right of refusal to acquire tax foreclosed property from Wayne County (“County”) upon payment of a minimum bid or fair market value as determined by the County pursuant to the Act. Such right of refusal allows the City to acquire tax foreclosed properties prior to any sale by the County through auction.

In 2017, the City instituted a pilot program to help stabilize Detroit neighborhoods by providing assistance to those who found themselves occupying a tax foreclosed home (the “Program”). Under the Program, the City acquires certain residential properties that are tax foreclosed by Wayne County and occupied by qualified Program participants vetted by the United Community Housing Coalition (“UHC”). The City then transfers such residential properties to UHC for potential transfer to the Program participants.

*** RECOMMENDATION:**

We, therefore, respectfully request that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution that: 1) authorizes the City to utilize the purchase money from UHC to acquire the Properties from the County, under the City’s 2025 right of refusal, for the Purchase Price listed in Exhibit A to this resolution and 2) authorizes the City to transfer the Properties to UHC for said Purchase Price.

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