



**Council
Communication**
Office of the City Manager

Date

June 19, 2006

Agenda Item No. 63
Roll Call No. 06-
Communication No. 06-364
Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.,
City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hold hearing for the conveyance of City-owned property at 1610 and 1620 Francis Avenue to Maria L. Gonzalez for \$600.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval for the sale of such property to Maria L. Gonzalez for \$600. This action is required by Iowa law prior to making a final determination on the proposed sale by resolution. There is no current or anticipated public need for this property.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$600 (Revenue)

Funding Source: 2006-07 Operating Budget, Page 310, Property Maintenance, SP767

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The property to be conveyed consists of approximately 13,200 square feet. Due to the topography and a storm water flowage ditch, the costs for preparing the site for development would be extensive. The only practical use is for grouping with an adjoining property for additional side or back yard. The sale of this property will be subject to a permanent easement for the existing storm sewer inlet structure and associated piping that is located at the front of the property.

In an attempt to sell this property, there was no response to bid letters mailed to prospective buyers and adjacent property owners on January 12, 2006. On May 4, 2006, a second letter was mailed to adjacent property owners. Maria L. Gonzalez, 1700 Francis Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50314-1519, has submitted an offer for \$600 for the sale of the above referenced property. This offer represents a fair and reasonable price to be paid for the property, due to its limited use. The buyer will incorporate the property to existing owned property for residential side-yard expansion.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 5, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-1096

Action: Set the date of hearing for June 19, 2006, for the conveyance of City-owned property at 1610 and 1620 Francis Avenue to Maria L. Gonzalez for \$600. Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

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ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE