Council
Communication
Office of the City Manager

Date June 8, 2009

Agenda Item No. 43
Roll Call No. 09Communication No. 09-387
Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Community
Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution authorizing the City Manger to remove requested properties from the tax sale and approving assignment of tax sale certificates to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity for the development of low to moderate income owner occupied housing.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to remove 40 vacant lots from the tax sale and to assign the tax sale certificates for the development of affordable housing to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity (Lance Henning, Executive Director, 2341 Second Avenue, P.O. Box 716, Des Moines, IA 50303-0716).

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The 2005 amendments to the Iowa Code 446.19A permit cities to acquire tax sale certificates for vacant lots assessed as residential property without paying the taxes due, and allows the City to utilize an expedited redemption period, all for the purpose of encouraging the development of housing. The City of Des Moines has utilized this process in recent years with a great deal of success, which has enabled affordable housing providers to acquire buildable lots at a cost substantially below market value. The City seeks to obtain additional vacant lot tax sale certificates from the 2009 tax sale that can ultimately be used for the development of affordable housing.

Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity has identified 40 vacant lots that it would like to pursue through this process, and requests the City Manager remove these properties from the upcoming tax sale. The vacant lots are located at the following addresses:

Parcel Number	Address	Neighborhood
06000921003000	2233 GARFIELD AVE	ACCENT

04005202000000	1500 DES MOINES ST	Capitol East
04005203000000	1504 DES MOINES ST	Capitol East
04005204000000	1508 DES MOINES ST	Capitol East
04005205000000	1512 DES MOINES ST	Capitol East
04000377000000	1611 E VINE ST	Capitol East
04002227000000	1111 E 9TH ST	Capitol Park
03001695005000	1127 13TH ST	Cheatom Park
08003376000000	1614 22ND ST	Drake
08005153000000	1721 21ST ST	Drake
08007345000000	2006 WASHINGTON AVE	Drake
06001062000000	1462 E 21ST ST	Fairmont Park
11006024000000		Indianola Hills
01002048000000	406 KIRKWOOD AVE	Indianola Hills
08000462001000	1215 15TH ST	King Irving
08003700002000	1433 12TH ST	King Irving
08006178000000	1518 18TH ST	King Irving
08001351000000	1536 11TH ST	King Irving
08001647000000	1540 10TH ST	King Irving
08001357000000	1547 12TH ST	King Irving
08002327000000	1601 CARPENTER AVE	King Irving
08005415000000	1614 12TH ST	King Irving
08005372000000	1807 12TH ST	King Irving
08005531000000	2021 10TH ST	King Irving
01001333000000		Martin Luther King Jr.
04005293001000	1527 WALKER ST	Martin Luther King Jr.
08004730000000		Mondamin Presidential
08002182000000	1512 MONDAMIN AVE	Mondamin Presidential
08004809000000	1613 ALLISON AVE	Mondamin Presidential
08006075000000	1235 3RD ST	River Bend
08005967000000	1303 4TH ST	River Bend
08000550000000	1409 8TH ST	River Bend
08000548001000	1419 8TH ST	River Bend
08006608000000	1437 9TH ST	River Bend
08000319000000	1445 5TH AVE	River Bend
08005202000000	1630 6TH AVE	River Bend
08005470000000	1927 9TH ST	River Bend
01001730000000	1211 PLEASANT VIEW	
01000748003000	25 OLINDA AVE	
04001486000000	712 SE 7TH ST	

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: June 9, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1007

Action: Assignment of Tax Sale Certificates to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc., Home Opportunities Made Easy, Inc., and Community Housing Development Corporation for the development of low to moderate income owner-occupied housing. (Council Communication No. 08-325) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0

Date: June 4, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1058

<u>Action</u>: Assignment of Tax Sale Certificates to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity for development of low to moderate-income owner occupied housing. (Council Communication No. 07-333) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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