

Council Communication

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Date September 14, 2009

Agenda Item No. 62
Roll Call No. 09Communication No. 09-655

Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.,

City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hold hearing for the conveyance of City owned property located between 1545 and 1601 30th Street to C. Renee Ellingson for \$75 and to Nia Vassilonikolidakis for \$75.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the conveyance of City owned property to C. Renee Ellingson, 2600 Kingman Blvd., Apt. 23, Des Moines Iowa 50311-4143, and to Nia Vassilonikolidakis, 1601 30th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50310, for \$75 each. This action is required prior to making a final determination on the proposed sale by resolution. There is no current or anticipated public need for this property. The sale of this property will help reduce the City's ownership of excess land and will allow adjoining property owners to expand their side yards.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$150 (Revenue)

<u>Funding Source</u>: Sale proceeds will be deposited into the Property Maintenance Endowment Fund, SP767, ENG980500. The first \$175,000 of annual proceeds to the Property Maintenance Endowment Fund will be returned to the General Fund (GE001, ENG040700) to offset the operating budget of the Engineering – Real Estate Division.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City acquired this property in 1946 from Polk County for a potential future need to extend College Avenue to the east. The property is a vacant non-conforming lot and there is no longer any current or anticipated public need to extend College Avenue to the east. The property should be sold to the adjoining residential property owners, which will return the property to a taxable status and it will also relieve the City of its current property maintenance liability. The sale of this property will be subject to reservation of an easement for any existing utilities, or encroachments currently in place.

The adjoining property owners, C. Renee Ellingson, and Nia Vassilonikolidakis, have each submitted an offer to purchase for \$75, which is equal to the estimated fair market value of their respective half of the property to be conveyed. The buyers will use the property to expand their side yards.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 24, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1544

<u>Action</u>: On conveyance of property located between 1545 and 1601 30th Street to C. Renee Ellingson, \$75 and to Nia Vassilonikolidakis, \$75, (9-14-09). Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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