 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Council Communication</b> Office of the City Manager</p>	<b>Date:</b>	December 21, 2015
	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>50</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b><u>15-2156</u></b>
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<b><u>15-656</u></b>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Hold hearing for conveyance of City-owned property located at 1415 and 1411 College Avenue to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc. for \$1,100.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of conveyance of City-owned property located at 1415 and 1411 College Avenue to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc., 2200 East Euclid Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50317, for \$1,100. This action is required by Iowa law prior to making a final determination on the proposed sale by resolution. The sale of the City’s property will allow the buyer to construct affordable residential housing on the parcel. There is no current or anticipated public need for this property, and this conveyance will eliminate future maintenance and liability costs for the City and will return the property to the tax rolls.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

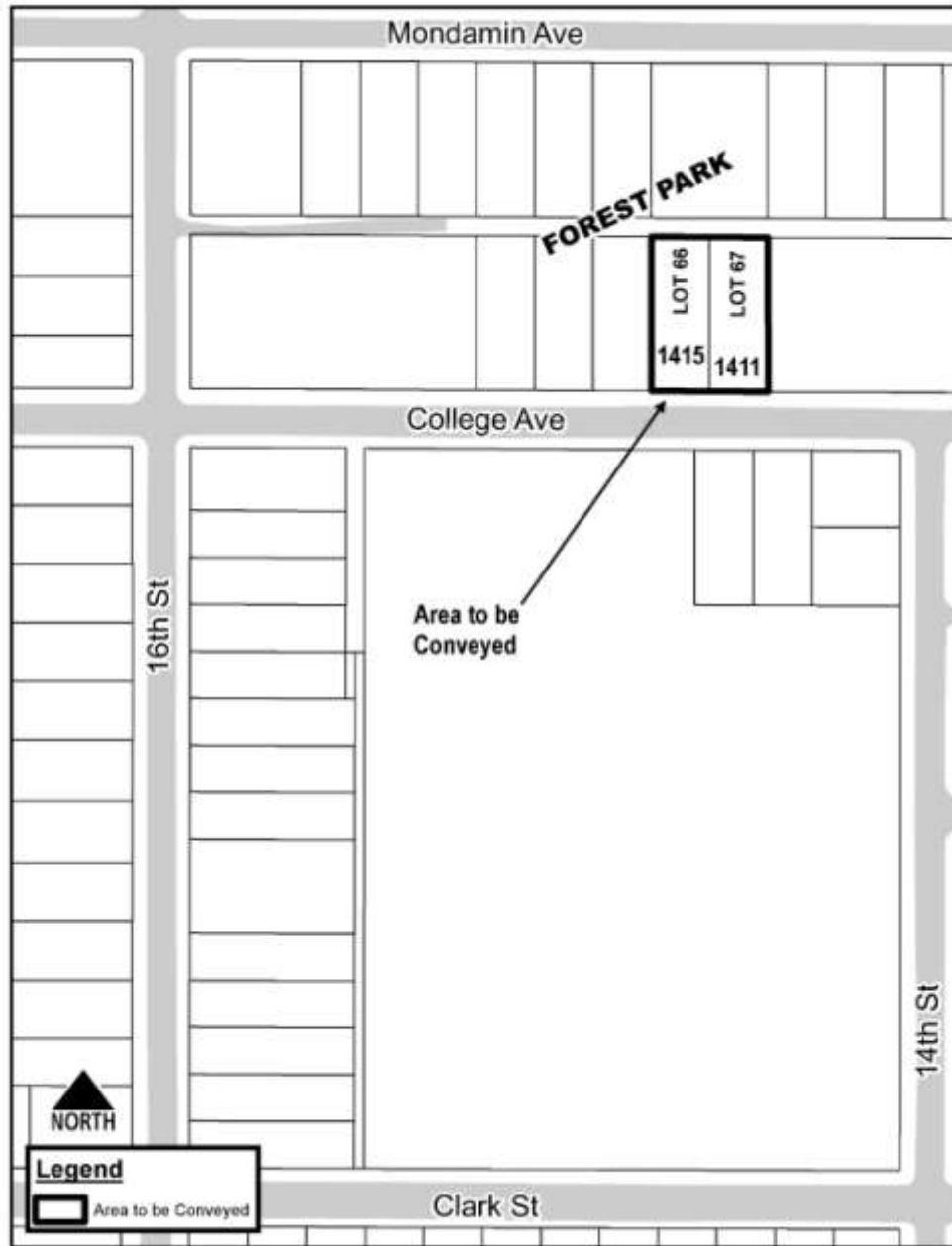
Amount: \$1,100 (Revenue)

Funding Source: Non-project related land sale proceeds are used to support general operating budget expenses: Org – EG064090.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

These City-owned parcels are encumbered with a permanent storm sewer easement across the southern portion each lot. Individually, the lots cannot be built upon due to the presence of the sewer easements. However, Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc. has determined with City staff that it is possible to combine the lots into one (1) larger parcel for construction of a single-family home.

Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc. has offered to the City of Des Moines the purchase price of \$1,100 for the purchase of the property in order to construct an affordable single-family home. The purchase price reflects the restricted-use fair market value of the encumbered property, as currently estimated by the City’s Real Estate Division. This conveyance will eliminate future maintenance and liability costs for the City and will return the property to the tax rolls with affordable housing.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: December 7, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-2053](#)

Action: [On](#) conveyance of City-owned property at 1411 and 1415 College Avenue to Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity, Inc., \$1,100, (12-21-15). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.  
Absent: Cownie.

Date: July 26, 2004

Roll Call Number: [04-1550](#)

Action: Approve and accept real estate documents for property at 1415 College Avenue, \$0 plus closing costs. Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: April 15, 1985

Roll Call Number: 85-1749

Action: Approval and acceptance of acquisition of real estate documents (permanent easement for storm sewer) for property 1411 College Avenue.

Date: February 25, 1985

Roll Call Number: 85-975

Action: Approval and acceptance of acquisition of 1415 College Avenue.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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