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Date	December	17.	2018	

SET HEARING FOR CONVEYANCE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1124 13th STREET AND 1311 LAUREL STREET TO INDIGO DAWN, LLC FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 446.19A permits cities to acquire tax sale certificates for abandoned property assessed as residential property or as commercial multifamily property or vacant residential lots at a tax sale without paying the taxes then due, to obtain the assignment of outstanding tax sale certificates by payment to the certificate holder the amount then due to redeem the certificate, and to further assign said certificates, all for the purpose of encouraging the acquisition and rehabilitation of abandoned dwellings and lots; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Iowa Code 446.18, cities may also bid on tax sale certificates as public bidders in the annual Polk County Tax Sale Auction; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2011, by Roll Call No. 11-2158, the City Council determined that the real property at 1124 13th Street was a public nuisance and authorized the City Legal Department to proceed with court action seeking authority to abate the public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2018, by Roll Call No. 18-0204, the City Council approved acquisition of the vacant and abandoned properties locally known as 1124 13th Street and 1311 Laurel Street (collectively "Properties") by tax sale deed and directed Community Development staff to distribute a Request for Proposal (RFP) to developers to acquire and renovate said properties based on an approved rehabilitation plan; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to accept title to the Properties by tax sale deed on or before January 14, 2019, to convey the property and in compliance with the statutory tax sale process; and

WHEREAS, Indigo Dawn, LLC, represented by Chaden Halfhill, President, responded to the RFP and was selected by the reviewers as the recommended developer for the purpose of said redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, if approved, the proposed conveyance by the City to Indigo Dawn, LLC will be governed by and subject to approval of an acquisition and rehabilitation agreement between Indigo Dawn, LLC and the City of Des Moines, which agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk, and will further be subject to completion by the City of the tax sale process and acquisition of the Properties by tax sale deed; and

WHEREAS, deed restrictions containing single-family owner-occupancy requirements, with allowance for use as rental in accordance with the Des Moines Municipal Code until December 31, 2024, and compliance with the conditions of the RFP and submitted proposal, will be included in the deeds conveying the Property to Indigo Dawn, LLC; and

WHEREAS, there is no known current or future public need for the Properties proposed to be sold and the City will not be inconvenienced by the sale of said Properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney				
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Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

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