



Roll Call Number

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Date November 18, 2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR 930 THORNTON AVENUE AND 2003 WASHINGTON AVENUE ACQUIRED THROUGH THE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PROCESS

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, on June 13, 2022, by Roll Call No. 22-0923, the City Council approved acquisition of the tax sale certificate for the vacant and abandoned properties locally known as 2003 Washington Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa (“Property”) ; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2023, by Roll Call No. 23-0834, the City Council approved acquisition of the tax sale certificate for the vacant and abandoned properties locally known as 930 Thornton Avenue Des Moines, Iowa (“Property”) ; and

WHEREAS, on October 23, 2024, the City of Des Moines requested and was issued the tax sale deeds for the Property by the Polk County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Services is in the process of identifying a path for redevelopment or rehabilitation and the special assessments against the Property have been identified as an encumbrance to redevelopment for housing; and

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

1. All special assessments levied by the City and pending against the Property shall be deemed released. This shall include assessments listed below and any other City of Des Moines special assessments incurred by the property and tracked by the Polk County Treasurer’s Office prior to the date of this roll call.

2003 Washington Ave, Des Moines, Iowa

<u>Special Assessment Code</u>	<u>Unpaid</u>	<u>Certified Date</u>	<u>Certificate</u>
120-SA 1200522090301 - DM 05-220903 9-30-2022	\$50.62	9/30/2022	1202077500
120-SA 1201722090301 - DM 17-220903 9-30-2022	\$473.46	9/30/2022	1203077500
120-SA 1202122090301 - DM 21-220903 9-30-2022	\$444.82	9/30/2022	1204077500
	<u>\$968.90</u>		



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930 Thornton Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa

Special Assessment Code	Unpaid	Certified Date	Certificate
120-SA 1200523110401 - DM 05 231104 11-14-23	\$3,570.47	11/13/2023	1202139100
120-SA 1201723110401 - DM 17 231104 11-14-23	\$421.56	11/13/2023	1203139100
120-SA 1202123110401 - DM 21 231104 11-14-23	\$431.64	11/13/2023	1204139100
120-SA 1200524080101 - DM 05 24080101 8-7-24	\$46.74	08/07/2024	1202189600
120-SA 1201724080101 - DM 17 240801 8-7-24	\$140.74	08/07/2024	1203189600
120-SA 1202124080101 - DM 21 240801 8-7-24	\$153.38	08/07/2024	1204189600
	\$4,764.53		

- The City Engineer or the City Engineer's designee is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County of the release of such special assessments; and
- The Neighborhood Services Director's designee shall seek to release all other assessments levied by Polk County, Des Moines Water Works, or other governmental entities pending against the Property.

(Council Communication No. 24-469)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.
Second by Voss

FORM APPROVED:

/s/ Chas M. Cahill
Chas M. Cahill, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Carrie Boesen Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, LAURA BAUMGARTNER, 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.

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk