

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
HOUSING POLICY & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
June 12, 2019

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:30 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Cam Gordon (Chair), Jeremiah Ellison (Vice-Chair), Kevin Reich, Lisa Goodman, Lisa Bender, and Jeremy Schroeder (Quorum - 4)

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Land sale: 2635 Colfax Ave N to Wilson Molina ([2019-00696](#))

Passage of Resolution approving the sale of the property at 2635 Colfax Ave N, (Disposition Parcel No. MH-146), to Wilson Molina for \$55,000, subject to conditions. If Wilson Molina fails to close, approving the sale of the property to Ram Construction & Remodeling for \$55,000, subject to conditions.

Staff presentation of items 1 through 3 concurrently by Matthew Ramadan, Department of Community Planning & Economic Development (CPED).

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Gordon moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Ellison absent]

2. Land sale: 1326 Emerson Ave N to A.Vision LLC ([2019-00701](#))

Passage of Resolution approving the sale of the property at 1326 Emerson Ave N, (Disposition Parcel No. MH-147), to A.Vision LLC for \$20,000, subject to conditions. If A.Vision LLC fails to close, approving the sale of the property to Joseph Jackson and Shannon Sanford for \$20,000, subject to conditions.

Staff presentation of items 1 through 3 concurrently by Matthew Ramadan, CPED.

The public hearing was opened.

The following person spoke:

1. Jamez Staples, resident of 15th & Emerson Ave N

The public hearing was closed.

Gordon moved to send forward without recommendation. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Ellison absent]

3. Land sale: 2822 Emerson Ave N to Kit Praviseth ([2019-00698](#))

Passage of Resolution approving the sale of the property at 2822 Emerson Ave N, (Disposition Parcel No. MH-148), to Kit Praviseth for \$60,000, subject to conditions. If Kit Praviseth fails to close, approving the sale of the property to Tai Hon L.L.C. for \$60,000, subject to conditions.

Staff presentation of items 1 through 3 concurrently by Matthew Ramadan, CPED.

The public hearing was opened.

The following person spoke in support:

1. Kit Praviseth, proposed buyer of subject property

The public hearing was closed.

Gordon moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Ellison absent]

4. Grant agreement with American Indian Community Development Corporation for acquisition of 1500 Elliot Ave ([2019-00704](#))

Authorizing a grant agreement with American Indian Community Development Corporation (AICDC) or an affiliated entity in the amount of \$50,000, for the acquisition of 1500 Elliot Ave.

Gordon moved to approve and refer to the Ways & Means Committee meeting of June 18, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Ellison and Reich absent]

5. Home Ownership Works (HOW) program guidelines amendment ([2019-00703](#))

Approving changes to the Home Ownership Works (HOW) program guidelines to more closely align the HOW program with the goals of similar City programs and the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Staff presentation by Aarica Coleman and Roxanne Young-Kimball, CPED.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Michael Goze, Chief Executive Officer of the American Indian Community Development Corporation.

Gordon moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

6. Contract with Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid for legal representation to low-income Minneapolis tenants facing eviction ([2019-00710](#))

1. Authorizing a two-year basic service agreement with Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid in an amount not to exceed \$650,000, to provide legal representation to low-income Minneapolis tenants facing eviction, for the duration of Aug. 1, 2019 through July 31, 2021.

2. Authorizing an extension to the contract for a period of three, one-year terms at a rate not to exceed \$325,000 per year, based on approved funding and performance satisfactory to City staff.
3. Passage of Resolution authorizing the one-time transfer of \$150,000 from the Community Planning & Economic Development Department's Affordable Housing Division 2019 Budget of Eviction Representation Pilot funding to the City Coordinator Department for the Renters Support program.

Staff presentation by Andrea Brennan, CPED, who asked that the staff recommendation relating to items 1 and 2 be amended to read as follows:

~~"1. Authorizing a two-year basic service agreement with Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid in an amount not to exceed \$650,000, for a two-year period to provide legal representation to low-income Minneapolis tenants facing eviction, for the duration of Aug. 1, 2019 through July 31, 2021.~~

~~2. Authorizing an extension to the contract for a period of three, one-year terms at a rate not to exceed per year, based on approved funding and performance satisfactory to City staff. Authorizing extension of the contract at the sole option of the City for a one-year period in an amount not to exceed \$325,000."~~

Gordon moved to approve as amended and refer to the Ways & Means Committee meeting of June 18, 2019. On voice vote, the motion passed.

7. 4d Affordable Housing Incentive Program: 2018-2019 Program Results ([2019-00702](#))

Receiving and filing a report on the results of the 4d Affordable Housing Incentive Program, including information about the program's impact in preserving naturally occurring affordable housing (NOAH).

Staff presentation by Andrea Brennan and Dean Porter-Nelson, CPED; and Patrick Hanlon, Health Department/Environmental Services Division.

Gordon moved to receive and file. On voice vote, the motion passed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Council Committee Coordinator