

Acquisition and Disposition Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2020

(NOTE: meeting convened via conference call pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 of NYS in connection with COVID-19 restrictions)

Board attendance: Charles Touhey, David Traynham, Todd Curley, Sam Wells

Staff attendance: Adam Zaranko, Amanda Wyckoff, Erica Ganns, William Sikula, Elista Gayle

The meeting began at 3:06 PM

Review of Minutes:

The minutes from the October 2020 Acquisition and Disposition Committee meeting were reviewed and approved.

New Business

4 Madison Place, Albany, New York:

The Executive Director explained that the current approved buyer was approved because they proposed new construction but are no longer willing to do so. The community and the City of Albany have expressed that they do not support private parking to be constructed on an otherwise undisturbed row of homes. The recommended follow up is to continue to work with a developer who has expressed interest in buying and previously was approved to build residential new construction on this site before it went into foreclosure to submit an application by the December deadline.

Sales Summaries Review:

The following property sales were reviewed, and the recommendations of the Committee were set forth and to the full Board of Directors as follows (T. Curley, S. Wells):

134 Central Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Commercial Use

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale to Jahkeen Hoke who will create a non-profit office space and an incubator.

153 Sheridan Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Maintain as Is

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale to Housing Visions Unlimited, LLC, the adjacent property owner.

255 First Street, Albany:

Proposed Use: Redevelop and Resell

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale to Laborde

Dodard.

267 Second Street, Albany:

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends tabling this sale for further review. D. Traynham asked if we could connect Barbara and Robert Jones with the resources to complete this rehab in the next couple of months.

23, 27, 29, 31 Normanside Drive, Albany:

Proposed Use: Recreation

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale of these

four lots to James and Katelyn Foster.

312 Clinton Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Commercial Use

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale to Kizzy

Williams and Holly Francisco.

316 Sheridan Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Operate as Rental

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition committee recommends advancing the sale to Charles

Chandler.

319 Second Street, Albany

Recommendation: The Acquisition/Disposition Committee recommends tabling the current sale due to

the lack of viable applications.

33 West Street, Albany:

Proposed Use: Primary Residence

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends advancing the sale to the best and final offer between Fatema Khatun, Tufaul and Sameli Chowdhury, MD Sadikur Rahman and Feroza

Akter Rotna, Chyan Fraser, and Shirin Ali.

37 Sand Street, Albany:

Proposed Use: Open Space

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee advancing the sale to Sulaiman Elhariri.

38 Lexington Avenue, Albany:

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends tabling the sale until uses are

viable.

395 Clinton Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Garden

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends advancing the sale to Kizzy Williams and Holly Francisco.

400 Clinton Avenue, Albany:

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends tabling the sale of this property.

42 Lexington Avenue, Albany:

Proposed Use: Side Lot

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends advancing the sale to Fritz

Hyatt.

569 Third Street, Albany:

Proposed Use: Commercial Use

Recommendation: Acquisition and Disposition Committee recommends advancing the sale of this

property to James Conde.

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Will Sikula Planning and Projects Coordinator Albany County Land Bank