Council Communication

Department:			
Community Development			
	Resolution of Intent No.	Set Public Hearing:	08/09/21
CASE # OTB-21-008			
	Resolution to Dispose No.	Public Hearing:	08/23/21
Applicant:			
Jarrod McIntyre			
Turn the Paige Investments, LLC			
19627 Brookside Lane			
Gretna, NE 68025			

Subject/Title

Request of the Community Development Department to dispose of the property generally located at 1218 22nd Avenue to Turn the Paige, LLC (Jarrod McIntyre) for the construction of a new single-family attached dwelling unit to be sold to families at or below 80% of the median family income.

Lots 11 & 12, Block 11, Burns Addition, City of Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. The property is locally known as 1218 22nd Avenue.

Background/Discussion

In 2017, the Community Development Department acquired the house located at 1218 22nd Avenue through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program as part of its continuous efforts to improve the south end neighborhood. The previous dilapidated house was demolished and the land prepped for new development, including the connections for city water and sewer as the previous house was utilizing well and septic. On April 7, 2021, the City released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for developers to construct a new single-family attached dwelling unit (2 units total) on the property to be sold to families at or below 80% of the median family income to meet CDBG program guidelines. On May 11, 2021, RFP responses were due and Turn the Paige, LLC submitted the lowest bid proposal. Therefore, Turn the Paige, LLC was awarded the contract.

The property is classified as 'buildable' and 'transitional preserve.' The 'transitional preserve' designation allowed Community Development staff to complete the required CDBG disposition process. Turn the Paige, LLC is committed to constructing a new, affordable single-family attached dwelling unit by August 2022 that will be sold to homebuyers meeting the CDBG income guidelines.

The RFP included that the lot would be sold for zero cost to the developer with a home sales price of \$170,000 per unit (two units total). This sales price along with the home-buyer to potentially to qualify for up to \$30,000 in down payment assistance meets the affordability of the CDBG income guidelines.

The subject property is 66 feet wide by 165 feet deep, and is 10,890 square feet in size, which exceeds all site development standards for a property located in the R-2/Two-Family Residential District. The property is large enough to accommodate a single-family attached dwelling unit, as proposed. The property is located in the Flood Zone X protected by the levee.

Recommendation

The Community Development Department recommends setting a public hearing on the disposal of the property legally described as Lots 11 & 12, Block 11, Burns Addition, City of Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie County, Iowa on the August 23, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Attachment A: Location Map

Attachment B: Letter of Intent

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