

## City of Newark

City Hall 920 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

## **Legislation Text**

File #: 20-0060, Version: 1
Dept/ Agency: Economic and Housing Development
Action: ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending
Type of Service: Private Sale/Redevelopment
Purpose: To rehabilitate the existing structure and construct two (2) two (2) family homes on the
vacant land to create affordable rental or for-sale housing.
Entity Name: A Brick At A Time, LLC
Entity Address: 490 East Kennedy Boulevard, Lakewood, New Jersey 08701-0870
<b>Sale Amount:</b> \$90,160.00
Cost Basis: (X) \$6.00 - \$10.00 PSF ( ) Negotiated ( ) N/A ( ) Other:
<b>Assessed Amount:</b> \$138,600.00
Appraised Amount: \$0.00
Contract Period: To be commenced within three (3) months and be completed within eighteen (18
months following the transfer of property ownership by the City
Contract Basis: ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor ( ) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS
( ) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP ( ) RFQ
(X) Private Sale ( ) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) n/a
List of Property:
(Address/Block/Lot/Ward)
174 Scheerer Avenue/Block 3665/Lot 41/South Ward
171-173 Shephard Avenue/Block 3665/Lot 72/South Ward
421-423 Clinton Place/Block 3717/Lot 51/South Ward
Additional Information:
Vacant Land = 7,260 square feet X \$6.00 = \$43,560.00

Total Sale Price: \$90,160.00

Sale at prices set forth by Ordinance 6S&Fh, adopted on April 7, 2004, establishing the minimum sale price of City-owned properties.

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this resolution is to approve the sale and redevelopment of the following City-owned properties located in the South Ward of the City of Newark:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<b>BLOCK</b>	<u>LOT</u>	SQ. FEET	VACANT LAND
174 Scheerer Ave	3665	41	3,500	YES
171-173 Shephard Ave	3665	72	3,760	YES
421-423 Clinton Place	3717	51	4,660	NO

Total Square Footage of Vacant Land: 7,260

Purchase Price of Vacant Land: \$43,560.00 (\$6.00 per sf.)

Structure = 4,660 square feet X \$10.00 = \$46,600.00

Total Square Footage of Structure: 4,660

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Purchase Price of Structures: \$46,600.00 (\$10.00 per sf.)

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark (the "City") has determined that the above referenced Cityowned properties (the "Properties") are no longer needed for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8(g), the City of Newark is proceeding with the rehabilitation of the area and is conveying properties at such prices and upon such terms as it deems reasonable, and said conveyance is made in conjunction with the applicable Redevelopment Plan, as amended; and

**WHEREAS,** the Municipal Council previously adopted Resolution 7Rdo(AS) on June 15, 2005, designating the entire City as an "area in need of rehabilitation" under the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq. (the "LRHL"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Council thereafter adopted Ordinance 6S&Fd(S) on August 17, 2005, adopting the Third Amendment to the South Ward Redevelopment Plan governing the redevelopment of City-owned properties located within the South Ward, which includes the above-referenced Properties; and

**WHEREAS,** the City received a Letter of Intent, attached as Exhibit A of the Redevelopment Agreement, (hereinafter the "Proposal"), for the purchase and redevelopment of the Properties from A Brick At A Time, LLC, 490 East Kennedy Boulevard, Lakewood, New Jersey 08701-0870 (the "Redeveloper"); and

**WHEREAS,** the Redeveloper proposes to rehabilitate the existing structure and construct two (2) two (2) family houses on the vacant land to create affordable rental or for-sale housing; and

WHEREAS, based upon the City's review of the Proposal and other such information, the City has determined that the Redeveloper possesses the proper qualifications and requisite financial resources and capacity to acquire the Properties and to redevelop them in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8(g), the terms and conditions of the Agreement for the Sale and Redevelopment of Land, the form of which is attached hereto (the "Agreement"), and the South Ward Redevelopment Plan, as amended; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to the above-mentioned statutory authority, the Department of Economic and Housing Development recommends that the City sell the Properties to A Brick At A Time, LLC, which is willing to purchase the Properties from the City, for the consideration of Ninety Thousand, One Hundred Sixty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$90,160.00), for the purpose of redeveloping said Properties in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8(g), the Agreement, and the South Ward Redevelopment Plan, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Economic and Housing

Development are hereby authorized to enter into and execute the Agreement for the Sale and Redevelopment of Land attached hereto with A Brick At A Time, LLC, 490 East Kennedy Boulevard, Lakewood, New Jersey 08701-0870, for the private sale and redevelopment of the following Properties, for the following Purchase Price, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8(g), the terms and conditions of the attached Agreement and the South Ward Redevelopment Plan, as amended:

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- 2. Said Properties shall be sold to A Brick At A Time, LLC, by private sale for the purpose of rehabilitating the existing structure and constructing two (2) two (2) family homes on the vacant land to create affordable rental or for-sale housing.
- 3. The Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development is hereby authorized to effectuate certain business terms and conditions related to the Redevelopment Agreement annexed hereto and may enter into access and right of entry agreements and any related documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the sale of the Properties and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, all in forms subject to the approval of the City's Corporation Counsel.
- 4. The Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development is hereby authorized to enter into a maximum of two (2) six (6) month extensions of any timeframe set forth in the Agreement, subject to full written disclosure of such extension(s) (in the form of a signed Memorandum to be submitted to the Office of the City Clerk prior to adoption) to the Municipal Council by the Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development and the approval of the City's Corporation Counsel.
- 5. The Redeveloper shall be designated as the exclusive redeveloper of the Properties and any other prior legislation authorizing or intended to authorize the sale and/or redevelopment and/or rehabilitation of the Properties is hereby rescinded.
- 6. The Redeveloper shall have thirty (30) days from the date this resolution is certified by the Office of the City Clerk to execute the attached Agreement for the Sale and Redevelopment of Land and return same to the Department of Economic and Housing Development. Should the Redeveloper fail to execute and return the attached Agreement within this thirty (30) day time period, then the authorization provided by this resolution shall be null and void, unless the

Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development agrees in writing to extend this thirty (30) day time period.

- 7. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to receive proceeds of the sale and to deposit same as follows: ninety percent (90%) of the sale proceeds shall be deposited into the Community and Economic Development Dedicated Trust Fund established under Resolution 7Rg, adopted on November 6, 1985; and ten percent (10%) of the sale proceeds shall be placed in the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund established under City Ordinance 6S&Ff, adopted on June 21, 2006, for the purpose of preserving low and moderate income affordable housing.
- 8. The Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development shall place a copy of the executed Agreement for the Sale and Redevelopment of Land, the Quitclaim Deed, and all such other executed agreements authorized by this resolution on file in the Office of the City Clerk.
- 9. The Redeveloper shall comply with the City of Newark's Minority Set-Aside Ordinance 6S&Fd, adopted on April 5, 1995; the City of Newark's Affirmative Action Plan 7Rbp, adopted on March 1, 1995; Federal Executive Order 11246, (as amended by Executive Orders 11375 and 12086) regarding the award of goods and services contracts; and the City of Newark Ordinance 6PSF-c, adopted on June 17, 2015, Amending Title II, Administration, Chapter 4, General Administration, Section 20, Hiring of Newark Residents by Contractors or Other Persons Doing Business with the City of Newark and Section 21, Newark Residents' Employment Policy, by Adding Language to Address Immediate Short Term Training and Employment Opportunities and Repealing the Newark Employment Commission, a copy of which is attached to the Agreement as Exhibit C (the "First Source Ordinance"), all as may be applicable. The Redeveloper shall provide the Department of Economic and Housing Development with the required forms showing compliance with the above, and a copy of these forms shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk. In addition, the Redeveloper has agreed to ensure that thirty percent (30%) of all contractors, subcontractors and suppliers shall be Newark-based companies.
- 10. The redevelopment of the Properties shall commence within three (3) months and be completed within eighteen (18) months following the transfer of Property ownership from the City to the Redeveloper.
- 11. The Project to be implemented by the Redeveloper shall conform to the City of Newark Design Guidelines, including standards for environmental sustainability and energy efficiency, as established by the Department of Economic and Housing Development. Additionally, the Redeveloper shall conduct any environmental investigation and remediation upon the Properties as may be necessary. Should the Redeveloper fail to diligently pursue the rehabilitation of the Properties, then the City, in its sole discretion, may exercise its Right of Reverter to transfer title to the Properties back to the City, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement and the deed. Failure to exercise or delay in exercising this Right of Reverter by the City of Newark shall not constitute a waiver nor shall such failure and/or delay serve as a basis for adverse possession of the Properties. Any and all waivers of the City's Right of Reverter shall be in writing.

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12. The Director of the Department of Economic and Housing Development is hereby authorized to execute a Quitclaim Deed to the Redeveloper for the Properties. Said Quitclaim Deed conveying title to the Properties to the Redeveloper shall be approved as to form and legality by the City's Corporation Counsel and attested to and acknowledged by the City Clerk.

## **STATEMENT**

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