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To: Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator

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From: Alan Sabat, Planning and Development Specialist
Re: Public Hearing on Transfer of Tax Deed Properties

The County successfully obtained deed to former tax certificate properties within the County in June 2022. In accordance with adopted County policies on the disposal of tax deed properties, prior to offering such properties at public auction, the County may transfer the properties to a city, school district, or community-based non-profit agency if such transfer will benefit a community program or public good. Planning and Development provided several weeks to the City of Davenport and community-based non-profits for them to consider the inventory of properties and submit formal requests for transfer. A public hearing is now scheduled at the regular meeting on October 27th to take public comments on the proposed transfer of:

- Parcels G0046-42 and W0439-06 to the City of Davenport
- Parcel F0033-25 to Palmer College
- Parcel F0034-07 to Sacred Heart Cathedral Foundation (EIN: 45-1584666)
- Parcel F0033-29 to 100 Black Men (EIN: 31-1717138)
- Parcels E0003-13, E0017-09, E0017-10, F0028-20, F0029-18, F0036-03, F0046-05, F0044-17, H0056-27, H0061-31, S2923-02A, and Y0639-OLC to The Center (EIN: 88-3398461)

Should the Board feel comfortable with the transfer after the public hearing, a resolution transferring the properties would be placed on the November 10th agenda for the Board's consideration. According to the adopted policies, all back taxes and special assessments shall be abated for any properties transferred to municipalities and non-profits at the time of transfer. Therefore, a resolution abating the back taxes and special assessments for the properties listed above would also be placed on the November 10th agenda.

After successful transfer and abatement, the remaining inventory of tax deed properties would then be offered at public auction. The Board will tentatively hold a public hearing on setting the public auction date at its regular meeting on November 22nd for an auction date of December 13th at 10:00AM. Bids for the properties shall start at \$10.00.

After the auction and bills of sale are finalized, all back taxes and special assessments shall be abated for the properties. A resolution abating the back taxes and special assessments for the properties sold at auction would tentatively be placed on the December 22nd agenda. After that point, the current batch of 38 properties would (ideally) officially be out of the County's hands and back on the tax rolls, which is the basic intent of the cumbersome and costly tax certificate redemption process.



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NOTICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC HEARING ON TRANSFER OF TAX DEED PROPERTY

Public Notice is hereby given that the Scott County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on requests from the City of Davenport, Palmer College, Sacred Heart Cathedral Foundation, 100 Black Men, and The Center to transfer certain Scott County tax deed properties. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. in the 1st Floor Board Room of the County Administrative Center, 600 West 4th Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801.

In accordance with adopted County policies on the disposal of tax deed properties, prior to offering such properties at public auction, the County may transfer such properties to a city, school district, or community based non-profit agency if such transfer will benefit a community program or public good. This public hearing is scheduled to take public comments on the proposed transfer of Parcels G0046-42 and W0439-06 to the City of Davenport; Parcel F0033-25 to Palmer College; Parcel F0034-07 to Sacred Heart Cathedral Foundation; Parcel F0033-29 to 100 Black Men; and Parcels E0003-13, E0017-09, E0017-10, F0028-20, F0029-18, F0036-03, F0046-05, F0044-17, H0056-27, H0061-31, S2923-02A, and Y0639-OLC to The Center.

If you have questions or comments regarding the proposed transfers, please call, write or email the Planning and Development Department, 600 West 4th Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801, 563-326-8643, planning@scottcountyiowa.gov or attend the hearing.

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