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## Community Development & Urban Planning Committee

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## > REVISED NOTICE

Community Development & Urban Planning Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 7, 2019 5:00 p.m. 1st Floor Council Committee Room

## Agenda

- 1. A Resolution Approving a Grant Application to and the Acceptance of Grant Funds from JPMorgan Chase Foundation in Support of the West Center City Neighborhood Stabilization Plan
- 2. Presentation by Bob Weir, Director, Department of Real Estate and Housing regarding updates concerning the Wilmington Housing Partnership (WHP)
- Wilmington City Treasurer Velda Jones-Potter will present information related to the financial outlook and direct city liability between the City of Wilmington and the Wilmington Housing Partnership (WHP)
- > Resolution Disposing 1814 Gilpin Ave to Firefighters Union

Rev. 2 (3/6/19)

Sponsor:

Council Member Dixon **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the City may apply for grant funds, subject to the approval of City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Real Estate and Housing submitted a grant application to and was approved to receive grant funds from JPMorgan Chase Foundation in the amount of \$200,000.00 to support the West Center City Neighborhood Stabilization Plan (the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Real Estate and Housing intends to use the grant money for the Program, which will support an equitable development initiative in the West Center City neighborhood aiming to improve housing values through resident engagement, strategic code enforcement, sheriff sale pricing, and market value analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Program will include: 1) an inventory of acquisition and disposition strategy expanding home ownership and responsible rental investment and 2) support for a Program manager to i) oversee a capital fundraising campaign for the Program, ii) target low-cost construction lines of credit, iii) target community development block grant dollars, and iv) apply for low income housing tax credits; and

WHEREAS, the City is not required to provide matching funds for receipt of these grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Real Estate and Housing recommends that City Council approve the City's use of the grant funds for the Program in accordance with the terms of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to authorize the grant application and the acceptance of the grant funds, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Real Estate and Housing's grant application to and acceptance of grant funds from JPMorgan Chase Foundation in the amount of \$200,000.00 to support the West Center City Neighborhood Stabilization Plan is hereby authorized, and the Director of the Department of Real Estate and Housing, or his designee, is hereby authorized to take all necessary actions associated with the grant application, the acceptance of the grant funds, and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST:		
	City Clerk	

**SYNOPSIS**: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Real Estate and Housing's grant application to and acceptance of grant funds from JPMorgan Chase Foundation in the amount of \$200,000.00. The funds will be used to support the West Center City Neighborhood Stabilization Plan.

**FİSCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** There is no negative fiscal impact to the City by accepting this grant. The Resolution approves a grant application to and the acceptance of grant funds from JPMorgan Chase Foundation for \$200,000.00 with no matching funds requirement.

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Sponsor:

Council Member Guy WHEREAS, pursuant to 1 Wilm. C. (Charter) § 1-101, the City may acquire, hold, manage, and dispose of property on such terms as it deems proper for any municipal purpose; and

WHEREAS, Wilm. C. § 2-621(a) authorizes the Department of Real Estate and Housing to conduct disposition proceedings of real property owned by the City; and

WHEREAS, Wilm. C. § 2-621(c) provides that governmental agencies, governmental authorities organized pursuant to Title 22 of the Delaware Code, and non-profit organizations are exempt from the City's bid procedures and that upon the declaration of a property as approved for disposition by resolution of City Council, the Department of Real Estate and Housing may negotiate an agreement of sale, lease, exchange, or other transfer of such property owned by the City to any such governmental agency, governmental authority, or non-profit organization; and

WHEREAS, the City currently owns the properties known as 1814 Gilpin Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Council, upon the recommendation of the Department of Real Estate and Housing, wishes to declare the Property surplus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council further wishes to approve the disposition of the Property to the Wilmington Firefighter's Association, Local 1590.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Council hereby declares the Property to be surplus and approves the Property for disposition to the Wilmington Firefighter's Association, Local 1590.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate disposition proceedings for the Property, including any and all further undertakings and assurances that may be appropriate.

Passed by C	ity Council,	
Attest:	City Clerk	

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution declares properties known as 1814 Gilpin Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware to be surplus and approves the property for disposition to the Wilmington Firefighter's Association, Local 1590.