

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION DEPARTMENT
Office of the Director
Interdepartmental Correspondence Sheet

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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF VACANT LOT FOR HARP

DATE: May 15, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

This ordinance would authorize the City of San Antonio to acquire title from the San Antonio Development Agency for one single family lot legally described as NCB 2848, Block 3, Lot 18 Grandview East UT-2 otherwise known as 531 Clark Avenue for utilization in the Housing Asset Recovery Program (HARP). The appraised value for the property based on an independent appraisal by Eckmann, Groll, Inc is \$11,500.00.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND

The Housing Asset Recovery Program (HARP) was created to address the concerns of inner city residents regarding abandoned housing. The program capitalizes on existing assets by preserving housing stock and revitalizing neighborhoods. This is accomplished by relocating, if necessary, renovating and rehabilitating property owned by the City that may be acquired through various programs (i.e., flood buyouts, facilities expansion, etc.). The program has also received various properties from other governmental entities as well as private corporations (i.e., San Antonio Housing Authority and H.E.B. Grocery Company).

POLICY ANALYSIS

The proposed lot will house a single-family residential unit donated from the HEB expansion project on Fredericksburg Rd. The unit has been relocated and is pending rehabilitation.

The Environmental Services Department has performed a Phase I Environment Site Assessment for the property. Based on the assessment, there are no significant environmental liabilities associated with the property to be acquired. The lot is zoned residential.

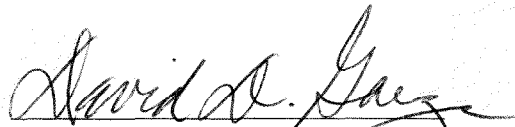
The appraised value of the property is \$11,500.00, per an appraisal by Eckmann, Groll, Inc. The San Antonio Development Agency's Board of Directors approved the conveyance of this property on July 9, 2002.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

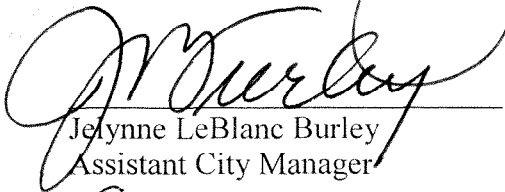
The City will not incur any expenses related to this conveyance therefore; neither the HARP line of credit nor the general fund will be impacted.

COORDINATION

This item has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Environmental Services Department. The Planning Commission approved this acceptance on September 11, 2002.



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