Board of Directors Meeting Cook County Land Bank Authority Executive Director's Report

Robert Rose, Executive Director June 19, 2020





Overview

This report covers:

- Recognition/Media
- Outreach
- COVID-19 Challenges
- Core Business Activities
- Current Commercial Projects
- Scavenger Sale
- FY2020 Focus



Welcome Maurice Cox, our newest CCLBA Board Director!

Maurice serves as the Planning and Development Commissioner for the City of Chicago.





Recognition



2020 NACo Achievement Award Winner

Cook County Land Bank Authority Homebuyer Direct Program



Media



Florist's plans don't wilt after help from county Land

Bank



"I wondered what was going to happen to my business, but never in my wildest dream did I think I'd become the owner of the building," said Johnson. "This is an 'A ha' moment for me." 5







#1 In The Hispanic Market, Chicagoland's Fastest Growing Population



Humboldt Park Developer Says Pandemic Is Right Time to Build Affordable Housing





"The Land Bank helps make things affordable," Castro said. "They're easy to deal with, and we're able to close deals a lot faster. These programs are important. Otherwise, everybody would be priced out. People who have been renting a long time in these areas deserve to have an affordable house."



Media



South Side developer thriving despite COVID-19, thanks to pipeline offered by Cook County Land Bank Authority

"The Land Bank offers a very fair program for small developers," Lindsey said. "They make you crawl before you walk. They come and make sure your rehab work is up to par. It's a very nice opportunity that came to Chicago, and for me, personally, the Land Bank changed my life."







SBA Loans for Neighborhood Developers



Bridget Gainer 10th District Commissioner Cook County Board



Robert Steiner District Director U.S. Small Business Administration

Co-Hosted With:

Inviting all neighborhood developers and realtors Join us to learn about your SBA loan options and get your SBA questions answered!

Wednesday, April 8, 2020 | 12:00 PM Register at: <u>bit.ly/NeighborhoodRelief-2</u>

For more information email <u>district10@cookcountyil.gov</u>



Rob Rose Executive Director Cook County Land Bank



Michelle Mills Clement Chief Executive Officer Chicago Association of Realtors



Courtney Jones President Dearborn Realtist Board



Featuring:



Melissa Conyears-Ervin Treasurer City of Chicago



Mohammad Elahi Daputy Director of Economic Development Cook County



Calvin Holmos President Chicago Community Loan Fund



Marcus Yancey Small Business Lender LISC Chicago



Local Assistance for Neighborhood Developers Town Hall

Hosted by: The Cook County Land Bank Authority (CCLBA)

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

Noon - 1 PM Register online bit.ly/CCLBASupportDevelopers



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Bridget Gainer Cook Courry Commissioner Founder and Chairwoman CCLBA



Courtney Jones President Dearborn Realitist Board

Rob Rose Executive Director CCLBA



Michelle Mills Clament President and CEO Chicago Association of Realton









THE SOUTHSIDE BUILDERS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

Lunch Bite with Rob Rose

Executive Director of the Cook County Land Bank Authority

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH 12 - 1PM | FREE!

Register at bit.ly/RobRoseSBA

(Link is case sensitive)





Property Acquisition and Sales

- Governor's Executive Order enacted stricter open-house rules; resulting in less showings
- Closed county offices (Clerk, Treasurer, Courts, Recorder of Deeds) has significantly slowed CCLBA's ability to acquire tax certificate properties (from 200/month to 50/month)

Community Developers

- Several buyers have been granted contract extensions
- Lenders have tightened their credit standards; many have stopped lending during this period resulting in lower sales
- Delays in labor availability, material availability and permit inspections



2020 Core Business Activities (December 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020)					
	Prospects	In Progress	Completed	2020 Goals	% Goal
Acquisition	8,404	3,086	423 (+132)	700	60%
Disposition	3,672	102	85 (+36)	225	38%
Demolition	380	11	5 (+3)	30	17%
Rehab	989	345	90 (+29)	200	45%
Cumulative Core Business Outcomes (as of 5/31/2020)					
Community Wealth \$83,367,916 \$112,000,000 74%				74%	
Scavenger Sale – County Redemptions \$11,838,072 946					
Cumulative Core Business Activities (as of 5/31/2020)					
Acquisition	cquisition 2,112 Demolition		139		
Disposition		995	Rehab 63		639
Inventory		1,117	Reoccupied 61		611



Inventory: Breakdown



Current Inventory Breakdown (as of 5/31/2020)		
LAND USE TYPE	TOTAL	
Vacant Land	770	
Residential Structures	307	
Commercial/Industrial Structures	40	
TOTAL	1,117	





Number of Applications Received | 12-Month Review

Total # of Applications | 17,223



Preceding Twelve (12) Months



Dispositions: Breakdown

FY 2020 DISPOSITION PIPELINE (as of 5/31/2020)			
IN PROCESS	COMPLETED	END USER CLASSIFICATION	
11	5	Not-for-Profit (NFP) Organizations	
63	45	Community Developers	
0	0	Faith-Based Organizations	
6	2	Business Owners	
16	28	Homebuyers	
6	5	Municipalities	
102	85	TOTAL	



Current Commercial Projects

Current Commercial Projects Status Report			
Project Name	Address	Action Item	
Chicago Rebuild Program City of Chicago, CCLF, CCLBA, CIC	Acquire, Rehab, and Re-Occupy Single family properties in three Police Districts 7, 10, and 11.	Four CCLBA properties awarded and closed. CCLBA has made available another 11 properties for developers in the program to bid on. One property awarded in 2 nd round	
The Stewart Building	6429 S. Stewart, Chicago	Framing complete, working on rough plumbing and electrical.	
Riverside Lawn (Voluntary buyout of homes in flood-prone area)	Various address in unincorporated Cook County	46 offers have been made, 23 acquisitions completed. Preparing to convey land to Forest Preserves.	
Wheeling/Leyden Township Voluntary Buyout	Various addresses in the township	Eight voluntary buyouts completed. Demolitions completed. Preparing to convey land to the respective townships	
Franklin Park Voluntary Buyout	Various Addresses	Thirty-tw0 properties targeted.	



Washington Park National Bank Building



BOARD OF DIRECTORS <u>APPROVAL</u>: Awarded to Bovivo 6300

Awarded to Revive 6300 LLC (Leon Walker and LaMell McMorris)

CONYENANCE TO DEVELOPERS: 2nd Quarter 2020



Harvey Hotel Chicago China Gateway



 Demolition, foundation removal and site work complete.

 Private road acquisition is process, looking to sell property to developer in 1st Quarter 2021.





Land Bank Agreements

Current Land Bank Agreements Status Report			
Project Name	Target Area & Timelines	Action Item	
IFF (Homan Square)	 14 Targeted PINs in Homan Square Hold for up to 36 Months	• In process of taking tax certificates to deed.	
The Berwyn Development Corporation	4 Targeted PINs in BerwynHold for up to 36 Months	• In process of taking tax certificates to deed.	
CNI	North PullmanHold for up to 36 Months	Closing out Land Banking Agreement	
IFF (West Cook)	 Maywood, Berwyn, Cicero, Bellwood, Forest Park Hold for up to 36 Months 	• Acquire land for new construction of affordable, accessible housing	
By The Hand Club for Kids	AustinHold for up to 36 MonthsFinalizing agreement	• Approved at the March 20, 2020 Board of Directors meeting	



Tax Certificate Program - Activity



Tax Certificate Program

Total # of Applications (As of 5/31)	6,266
Total # of Properties Applied (As of 5/31)	2,224
Total # of Acquisitions (As of 5/31)	1,082
Total # of Redemptions (As of 2/28)	946
Total Redemption Amount (As of 2/28)	~\$11.8 mm





Tax Certificate Program - Status

Tax Certificate Status (As of 5/31/2020)				
STATUS OF CERTIFICATE/DEED	*Expected Months From Acquisition	TOTAL	Residential Structures	Commercial/ Industrial Structures
Tax Deeds Recorded	-	1,082	268	27
Tax Deeds Issued/Approved but not Recorded (Working through Point of Sale Requirements)	0-2 Months	467	28	70
Certificates – Completed Prove-Up Hearings Pending Issuance of Tax Deed	3-6 Months	604	133	179
Certificates – Outstanding Prove-Up Hearings	7-10 Months	0	0	0
Certificates – Cases Filed (Scheduled Court Call)	11-12 Months	1,456	809	151
Certificates Submitted – Pending Filing	12+ Months	542	303	56
* NOTE: Expected months from acquisition is heavily dependent on the Clerk of the Circuit Court, CC Recorder's TOTAL 4,151 Office, & legal counsel's capacity.				

2015 Scav Sale – Outstanding Certs

Tax Deeds Issued/Approved but not Recorded (Working through Point of Sale Requirements)	306
Certificates – Completed Prove-Up Hearings Pending Issuance of Tax Deed	12
Certificates – Outstanding Prove-Up Hearings	8





FY2020 Focus

Acquire 700 Properties (on track)

• Portfolio acquisitions based on location and community impact

Execute Scavenger Sale Acquisitions and Dispositions

- Vacant Lots/Commercial/Industrial/Multifamily/Single Family
- Identify and implement strategies for building a more efficient and predictable process for taking tax certificate properties to deed

Sell 225 Properties (revised down due to COVID-19)

• Work with existing developer pool, homebuyers, and new development partners

Homebuyer Direct Program

- Direct partnerships with banking partners and housing counseling agencies
- 160 homes through this program since inception

Proactively Acquire Properties via Deed-in-Lieu/Abandonment/Forfeiture Cases/ TBI De-Conversions

• Partner with the City of Chicago's Department of Planning and Development, Department of Law and Department of Buildings

Relocate and Execute Hiring Plan

- Currently space constrained
- Acquisitions Specialist position was posted from June 3 17, 2020
- Moving to another floor with expanded floorplan will enable four additional hires including Deputy Director