

Authorization to enter into new lease and expend funds for Fondy Market

# Fondy Farmers Market 2200 W. Fond du Lac Ave.







### 2015 market operations

- 27 vendors
  - 22 farmers
  - 5 hot food vendors
- Open May 9 through November 21
- Weekly health education events
- Avg. weekly attendance: 3,500



#### 2001 lease

- 50-year lease with Fondy Food Center, Inc.
- \$1/year rent
- Anticipates additional development at property
- Includes market structure and adjacent vacant land
- Tenant responsible for maintenance
- Tenant responsible for utility bills

## Today's situation

- Tenant has not met certain lease terms
  - No development has occurred
  - Unpaid water bill certified to 2014 tax bill (\$43,900.17)
- Market requires significant investment to address code problems
  - Basic maintenance issues
  - Capital improvements

#### File #151305 - lease

- Terminate existing 50-year, \$1/year lease
- Enter into renewable 3-year lease
  - Requires payment of nominal rent (\$14,400 over 3 years)
  - Eliminates vacant land from leasehold
  - Requires annual reporting and financial audit by Fondy Food Center, Inc.

## File #151305 - expenditure

- Use rents paid by tenants of City-owned taxforeclosed property to make repairs (up to \$250,000)
  - Held in dedicated RACM account
  - Pay bills associated with management and maintenance of City-owned foreclosed properties
  - Balance reported annually to comptroller
  - Comptroller directs disposition of balance
  - Current balance: \$396,000
- Authorize Treasurer to write off special charge for delinquent water bill (\$43,900.17)