

February 14, 2006

To the Honorable Common Council
Public Works Committee
City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 051349 is a resolution declaring the improved, tax-deed properties at 313 East Burleigh Street and 2914 North 14th Street surplus to municipal needs and authorizing sale to St. Timothy's Community Baptist Church ("St. Timothy's"), in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Initially, the Department of City Development recommended that the subject properties be demolished, but subsequently received an unsolicited Offer to Purchase from St. Timothy's, a non-profit organization, to purchase said properties for \$750 each for training residents recruited from the surrounding neighborhood in basic carpentry and minor home repair skills. Even though said properties require significant rehabilitation, St. Timothy's submitted acceptable scopes of work and evidence of adequate resources to complete the rehabilitation. When the homes are complete, they will be sold to area residents.

Since there is no municipal need for these properties, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on February 13, 2006, recommended approval of the subject resolution.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Real Estate