# Neighborhood Improved Properties

June 2011 update

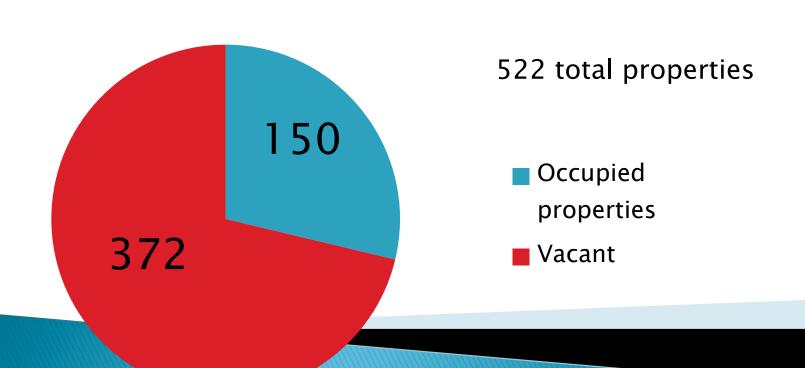
# Neighborhood Improved Properties are defined as:

An improved residential lot containing 4 housing units or less.

#### In REM Process

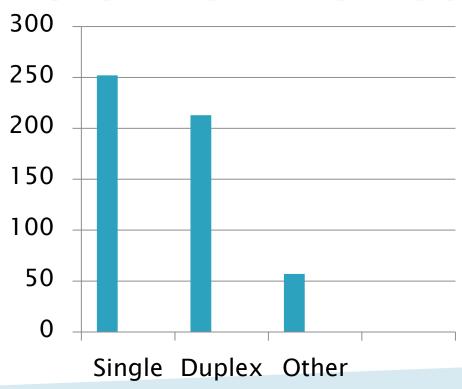
- •Treasurer's office refers delinquent property tax cases for collection purposes
- •Collection process ensues for 9 12 months (during year 2 of delinquency)
- •Unresolved cases are then referred back to the Treasurer's office for further legal action
- •After 3 years, tax delinquent properties are acquired by the City

# **Current Inventory**



# Breakdown by property type

The vast majority of properties in the City's inventory are one and two family dwellings.



## Tax foreclosed property

- Current inventory (1-4 family property)
  - 522 properties
    - 30% occupied, 70% vacant
    - 51% single family, 40% duplex
- Current pipeline (1-4 family)
  - 800+ properties face foreclosure in 2011
    - Payment of back taxes prior to foreclosure, or redemption post-foreclosure, will reduce this number to some extent
  - First group of four new foreclosure lists to be referred to DCD in June 2011
    - Each file will consists of 250 or less

#### Intake Process

- •DCD staff performs a visual inspection of each in Rem property to determine the status of the property
- •A file (computer and hard copy) is created for each property
- •DCD sends out a letter to the property stating the change in ownership
- •Site visits occur with the DNS inspector, locksmith and DCD staff
- •Tenant contracts are agreed upon, notices to vacate are issued
- •File is routed to the Planning Administration Dept. for recommendations
- Dispositions are put forth and acted upon

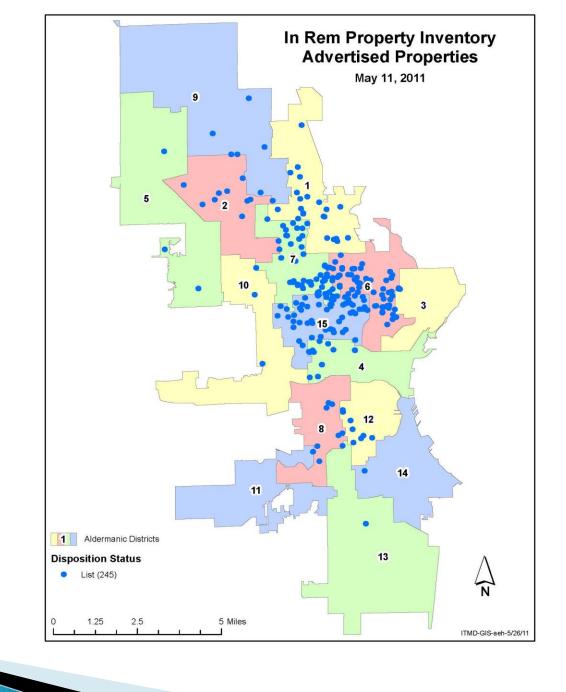
#### 2011 Sales to date

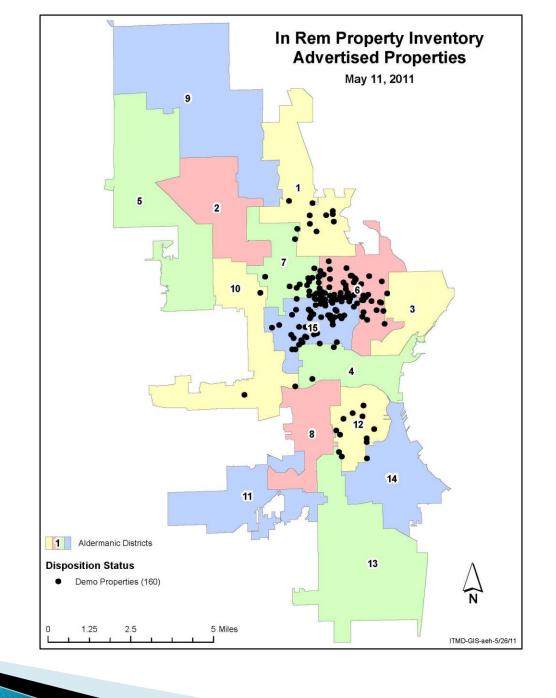
Properties sold: 31 at \$305,349.29 (total)

Private home buyer: 19 CBO: 12

Accepted Offers: 13

\*Total number of sales in 2010: 60





#### In Rems per Aldermanic District

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Dist 1:
         44 (8% of inventory)
Dist 2:
         15
Dist 3:
Dist 4:
         26
Dist 5:
Dist 6: 132 (26% of inventory)
Dist 7:
       93 (18% of inventory)
Dist 8:
Dist 9:
Dist 10:
Dist 11:
Dist 12: 21
Dist 13:
Dist 14:
Dist 15:146 (28% of inventory)
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80% of the City's inventory is within 4 Aldermanic districts: 1,6,7 & 15

#### **Property Maintenance**

- •Three grass cutting vendors. Cutting takes place from April through October on 3-week cycles.
- •Three snow removal vendors. Snow removal is always required and pay is based upon National Weather Service totals.
- ·City staff spot checks results across the city completed by each vendor

#### Management/marketing resources

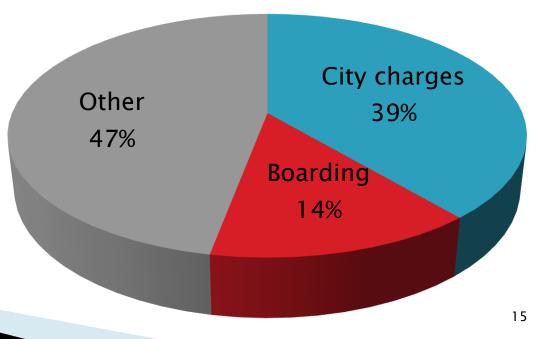
CDBG land management	\$ 317,625
Special purpose account	\$ 300,000
Rent (occupied properties)	\$ 580,000 (est)
Total (2011 funding)	\$1,197,625

## Current funding levels

Anticipated revenue	\$1,200,000
Spent YTD	\$ 422,000
Current balance	\$ 778,000

## Expenditures

- \$1940/property/year
- Snow/grass maintenance
- City charges
- o Boarding, cleanout
- Evictions
- Locksmith



#### Housing Infrastructure Preservation Fund

- •Preserve homes that are historic or architecturally significant and stabilize neighborhoods
- •Homes are acquired by City through tax foreclosure or bank donations.
- •Unrepaired homes do not appraise in today's market - arranging major exterior repairs allows buyers to obtain financing and complete renovations



3320 W. St. Paul Ave

#### Housing Infrastructure Preservation Fund

- •18 homes slated for exterior renovations in 2011 at a cost of \$900,000
- •Renovations focused on roofs, siding, porches, masonry, foundations
- •Repairs are by DCD hired Contractors and overseen by DCD's owner's representative.
- •Six homes on standby for repairs in 2011 if funds available
- •Anticipate 10 homes each requiring an average of \$50,000 in repairs in 2012





125 E. Lloyd Street

## Cost reduction strategies

- Replace private home inspectors with DNS inspectors (implemented)
- Shift some maintenance costs to tenants
  - grass cutting
- Adjustment to municipal charges
- Reduce inventory
  - Demolition
  - Property sales

#### Inventory reduction strategies

#### Demolition

- 160 properties to be demolished in 2011
- Anticipate 1/3 of new in rems will require demolition
- NSP supplies most demo funding

## Inventory reduction strategies

- Increase property sales
  - Speed inventory to market
    - DNS inspection agreement
  - Sales to investors
    - Tax credit projects
    - NSP rent rehab projects
    - Mom-and-pop
  - Sales to owner-occupants
    - Dollar house program
    - NSP partnership
    - Rent to own model
    - Ongoing marketing efforts

#### City of Milwaukee Property Listing Property Address: 2457 North 14th Street

General Description		Rooms/Other	
Dwelling Units	1	Bedrooms	3
Year Built	1890	Baths	1
Building Sq. Ft.	1,132	Stories	1
Lot Sq. Ft.	4,290	Garage	None
Zoning	RT4	Historic	No

#### In rem cooperative efforts



5084 N. 20th St.

- Flood repair video
  - MMSD
  - Office of Homeland Security
  - Health Dept.
- ME2 training
  - Energy retrofit job training
- Take Root Milwaukee promotion activities