



## Legislation Text

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An ordinance relating to the procedure for soliciting offers to purchase city-owned neighborhood property.

304-49-4-b am

The code of ordinances defines a “neighborhood property” as a city-owned parcel that is: 1) an improved residential lot containing 4 or fewer housing units; 2) a vacant residential lot suitable for one or 2 housing units; 3) an unbuildable vacant lot. Presently, the code provides that if the department of city development chooses to solicit bids for a neighborhood property, the department shall, at the direction of the common council member in whose district the property is located, prepare a notice which may be mailed by the common council member to each resident and property owner of the circular area having a radius of 500 feet, centered on the property which is to be sold, informing residents and property owners that the city is soliciting offers to purchase the property.

This ordinance eliminates the provision that notices be mailed to owners of property within the 500-foot circular area. Hereafter, only residents of the 500-foot area would receive notices.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Milwaukee do ordain as follows:

Part 1. Section 304-49-4-b of the code is amended to read:

### **304-49. Disposal of City Real Estate.**

#### **4. CITY SALES OF NEIGHBORHOOD PROPERTY.**

b. If the department chooses to solicit bids for a neighborhood property, the department shall, at the direction of the common council member in whose district the property is located, prepare a notice which may be mailed by the common council member to each resident ~~[[and property owner]]~~ of the circular area having a radius of 500 feet, centered on the property which is to be sold, informing residents ~~[[and property owners]]~~ that the city is soliciting offers to purchase the property. The bid solicitation notice shall state that if the resident ~~[[or property owner]]~~ is interested in purchasing the property, the resident ~~[[or property owner]]~~ should submit an offer to purchase by 10:00 a.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the date of notice. If the 30<sup>th</sup> day falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline for submitting an offer shall be the next business day. A bid submitted by a resident ~~[[or property owner]]~~ within the 500-foot radius who intends to occupy as an owner shall be given first consideration with respect to the purchase of a property. Any person submitting a bid for an improved parcel of neighborhood property that is classified as habitable property shall be able to demonstrate that the person will satisfy the owner-occupancy requirement, unless the requirement has been removed through direction of the council member, and also that the person will submit a restoration plan and demonstrate skills and financial resources to carry out the plan.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Legislative Reference Bureau

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IT IS OUR OPINION THAT THE ORDINANCE  
IS LEGAL AND ENFORCEABLE

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Office of the City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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