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Substitute resolution relating to in-rem foreclosure action on property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue.

This resolution directs the City Treasurer to file an in rem foreclosure action with the Treasurer's next regular filing against the vacant, single-family home at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue under the protocols established by the City Attorney to avert likely neighborhood blighting resulting from a failure to properly maintain this property.

Whereas, The "Internal Protocol for Community Improvement In-Rem Foreclosure Actions" established by the City Attorney's Office, pursuant to Common Council File Number 030680, adopted on September 23, 2003, provides that if a property is a nuisance or otherwise a blighting influence, and City ownership of and control of the parcel will mitigate or ameliorate the nuisance or blight, the Common Council may authorize the acquisition of the property through in-rem foreclosure action; and

Whereas, The property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue was purchased by 3 different non-resident buyers between August, 2011, and April, 2012, and the current non-resident owner who purchased the property for \$8,500 in April, 2012, has failed to make substantial needed repairs, including repair of the roof, to protect the structural integrity of the 3,674 square-foot, vacant, single-family home; and

Whereas, The City had a roof costing approximately \$80,000 installed on the property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue to protect the property's structural integrity and to avert likely blight on the neighborhood, and added the cost of the roof as a special charge onto the property's 2013 property tax bill in accordance with City policy; and

Whereas, Property taxes, special charges, interest and penalties totaling \$89,320 for 2012 and 2013 are unpaid and delinquent for the property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue; and

Whereas, The City's prompt acquisition of the property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue

through in rem foreclosure action will position the City to mitigate or ameliorate potential further blighting of the surrounding neighborhood caused by this neglected property; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the City Treasurer is directed to promptly bring in-rem property tax foreclosure action against the eligible tax -delinquent property at 3005 W. Kilbourn Avenue as part of the City Treasurer's next regular in rem foreclosure filings.

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