

Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee

Resolution No.:

Adopted on:

September 15, 2011

Project Area:

North 7th/West Garfield Avenue (Bronzeville)

Aldermanic District:

6th

Resolution changing the acquisition status of the former Garfield Elementary School at 2215 North 4th Street, authorizing an Offer to Purchase with the Milwaukee Board of School Directors and authorizing a Cooperation Agreement with Milwaukee Public Schools for property maintenance.

Whereas, The Amendment No. 2 for the Redevelopment Plan for the North 7th-West Garfield Avenue Project Area was approved in 2005, and designated a number of properties for acquisition in order to promote development of the Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District; and

Whereas, The Amendment No. 2 did not designate the former Garfield Elementary School at 2215 North 4th Street for acquisition, but included a mechanism to allow the Authority to change the acquisition status of parcels within the project boundary if the property is deemed necessary to carry out the intent of the Plan; and

Whereas, Acquisition of the former school would be desirable in order to provide a location for a cultural center that would be the focal point of the Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District; and

Whereas, A representative of the Milwaukee Board of School Directors has waived its right to receive the required 10-day notice of the Authority's action and a public hearing on the change in acquisition status was held on September 15, 2011; and

Whereas, The Authority would like to acquire the property for \$1.00 from the Milwaukee Board of School Directors, subject to approval by the School Board and the Common Council; and

Whereas, After acquisition, the Authority may desire to enter into an agreement with Milwaukee Public School staff for maintenance of the facility; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee that the acquisition status of the property at 2215 North 4th Street as outlined in Amendment No. 2 to the North 7th Street-West Garfield Avenue (Bronzeville) Redevelopment Plan is changed from non-acquisition to acquisition; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Authority is authorized to present the Milwaukee Board of School Directors with an Offer to Purchase for the former Garfield School in the amount of \$1.00, subject to approval by the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee as required by Section 119.60, Wisconsin Statutes; and, be it

Further Resolved, That staff of the Authority, in consultation with the City Attorney, shall negotiate the terms of conveyance to the Authority; and

Further Resolved, That the Executive Director, in consultation with the City Attorney, is authorized to negotiate and execute a Cooperation Agreement with Milwaukee Public Schools for maintenance of the former school, the cost of which shall be paid from the Bronzeville Tax Incremental District No. 59 or other property management account of the Authority.

CERTIFICATION I certify that the forgoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee, WI on the date set forth above.

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David P. Misky
Assistant Executive Director-Secretary
