### Additional Proposed Legislation for the December 20, 2022 City Council Meeting -Filed through December 14, 2022

\* \* Please Note \* \*

For questions regarding the proposed legislation, call the City Clerk's Office at 585-428-7421

Malik D. Evans Mayor

City Hall Room 308A, 30 Church Street Rochester, New York 14614-1290 www.cityofrochester.gov

# NEIGHBORHOOD & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT INTRODUCTORY NO.



**NBD 13** 

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Land Purchase Option Agreement – 1 Clarence Park and 2-12 Clarence Park

Council Priority: Rebuilding and Strengthening Neighborhoods

Comprehensive Plan 2034 Initiative Area: Reinforcing Strong Neighborhoods

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation related to an Option Agreement with City Roots Community Land Trust, Inc. (Joseph DiFiore, Executive Director) for the purchase of two city-owned properties at 1 Clarence Park (SBL No. 105.43-2-54) and 2-12 Clarence Park (SBL No. 105.43-2-50.002).

Upon execution of the option agreement, City Roots Community Land Trust, Inc. will hold title to the properties but will partner with REACH Advocacy, Inc. (REACH) (Marcia Reaver, Project Manager) providing them with a 99-year land lease with 3 available 99 year renewals. REACH Advocacy will act as developer and manager of a pocket neighborhood of tiny homes to serve the low income population for those at or below 30% AMI (Area Median Income).

The project will contain 12 Tiny House style living units, a community center/meeting space, an on-site manager dwelling, and a community garden. Prospective tenants for the project will be screened by a committee including employees of REACH, the on-site manager, and 1 or 2 local neighbors. Prospective occupants will have to sign a lease, apply for rent subsidies (vouchers), and work with a case manager. Catholic Family Center's Youth Build Program and Edison Tech Students will be involved in the construction. REACH will partner with MC Collaborative to provide support services to tenants.

The purchase price of \$8,360.00 was established via independent appraisal by Bruckner, Tillet, Rossi, Cahill & Associates in July, 2022. The applicant has raised a substantial portion of funding for three construction phases, but needs site control to apply for additional funding sources. The Option Agreement will give them adequate site control for their final fundraising. The funding for the first phase will include all infrastructure costs and soft costs involved with the project.

Prior to the Transfer of title, Purchaser shall provide evidence to the City that they have substantially completed repairs required pursuant to the Work Schedule, issued by the City's Division of Code Enforcement and reviewed and approved by the Commissioner of Neighborhood and Business Development, and received Certificates of Occupancy for a substantial number of properties owned by Purchaser within the municipal boundaries of the City of Rochester. The determination of satisfactory compliance shall be at the discretion of the Commissioner of Neighborhood and Business Development

Additionally, in order for the purchaser to exercise its option to purchase the properties, purchaser will be required to submit evidence to the City of commitment of funds necessary to finish Phase I

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of their project, and any variances or special permits required from Zoning or the City Planning Commission. Upon receipt of this evidence, the City will complete the closing.

REACH engaged in outreach to all the neighbors within 300 feet of the project location and mailed letters to all properties advising them of the proposed project. Soon afterwards, REACH expanded their efforts to include all properties within a 600-foot radius of the project with hand-delivered flyers and in-person discussions. They received a substantial amount of support, including support letters from the Edgerton Neighborhood Association, Rochester Refugee Settlement Services, and the Providence Housing Development Corporation. REACH also attended several meetings of the Edgerton Community Association, attended the Edgerton Neighborhood Association picnic and the Lyell-Otis Community Association picnic to present and answer questions about this project. REACH offered to hold a community meeting for anyone with concerns, but none of the area associations have organized such an event.

Pursuant to the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), a determination will be made prior to City Council approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Malik D. Evans

Mayor

## 1 and 2-12 Clarence Park

### NBD 13 ATTACHMENT



November 3, 2022

This map is intended for general reference only.

The City of Rochester makes no representation as to the accuracy or fitness of the data presented.

City of Rochester, NY



## Tiny Home Village Fact Sheet

#### Who are we?

- REACH Advocacy is a nonprofit organization that has managed emergency shelters for chronically homeless adults since 2015.
- We work with others to create safe, affordable housing for the people we serve and connect them to the services they need.
- Each year, we place over 40% of our guests into permanent homes.
- We know there is a great need for affordable housing for people living on less than 30% of the Area Median Income.



Architect's Drawing of Duplex

\* Drawings are not final



**Duplex-1 Front View** 

#### What is our Mission & Vision?

- We believe that having a safe and affordable place to live is a human right.
- We want to build a village of Tiny Homes on the empty land on Clarence Park, with support services for people living in extreme poverty.
- We know that a supportive village will encourage residents to get involved in the community and work with service providers to recover from the trauma of extreme poverty.
- Our vision is to build a village that will become a positive part of the neighborhood and our city.

#### What will the Village look like?

- Seven duplexes will create a village of 12 rental units, the manager's home, and a Community center.
- The homes will be on foundations and meet all City Codes.
- Each 16'x24' unit will include a kitchen, bathroom, and living/sleeping area.





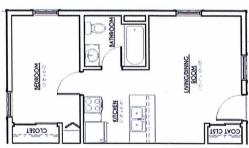
**Duplex-2 Front View** 

#### Who will live in the Village?

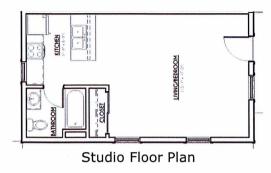
- People must meet the income guidelines and want to live independently in a supported, community setting.
- The Village will include people paying more than half their income for housing or experiencing homelessness.
- Each person who applies will complete an application, background check, and screening process.
- Each home can be a permanent home for the resident with no time limit on the length of stay.

### What services will we offer in the Village?

- Social Work, Medical, Dental, and Behavioral Health services will be available.
- The social work team will provide referrals to other services.
- Community meetings will allow for shared problemsolving and learning.



One Bedroom Floor Plan



#### Who are our community partners?

- Edgerton Neighborhood leadership supports the project.
- City Roots Land Trust will own the land, keeping the homes affordable.
- Catholic Family Center's YouthBuild and Edison Tech students will learn construction skills through handson experience, helping build the village.

#### Who do I contact if I have questions about the Village?

- Email your questions to <a href="mailto:tinyhomes@reachadvocacy.org">tinyhomes@reachadvocacy.org</a> or call (585) 364-1709.
- Contact information will be listed on the City's property portal website.
- The Northwest Neighborhood Service Center will have contact information for the village manager and the REACH Tiny Home Team.
- When the first resident moves into the Village, the resident manager will answer any questions.

## Pueblo de casas diminutas Hoja informativa

#### ¿Quienes Somos?

- REACH Advocacy es una organización sin fines de lucro que administra refugios de emergencia para adultos crónicamente sin hogar desde 2015.
- Trabajamos con otros para crear viviendas seguras y asequibles para las personas a las que servimos y conectarlas con los servicios que necesitan.
- Cada año, colocamos a más del 40 % de nuestros huéspedes en hogares permanentes.
- Sabemos que existe una gran necesidad de viviendas asequibles para las personas que viven con menos del 30 % del ingreso medio del área.



Dibujo del arquitecto de Dúplex

\* Los dibujos no son definitivos

## ¿Cuál es nuestra Misión y Visión?

- Creemos que tener un lugar seguro y asequible para vivir es un derecho humano.
- Queremos construir un pueblo de Tiny Homes en el terreno baldío de Clarence Park, con servicios de apoyo para las personas que viven en la pobreza extrema.
- Sabemos que una aldea solidaria alentará a los residentes a involucrarse en la comunidad y trabajar con los proveedores de servicios para recuperarse del trauma de la pobreza extrema.
- Nuestra visión es construir un pueblo que se convierta en una parte positiva del vecindario y de nuestra ciudad.



Duplex-1 Vista frontal

## ¿Cómo será la Aldea?

- Siete dúplex crearán un pueblo de 12 unidades de alquiler, la casa del gerente y un centro comunitario.
- Las casas estarán sobre cimientos y cumplirán con todos los códigos de la ciudad.
- Cada unidad de 16'x24' incluirá una cocina, un baño y un área de estar/dormitorio.





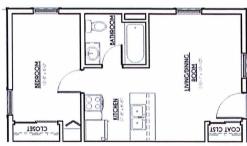
Dúplex-2 Vista Frontal

## ¿Quién vivirá en el Village?

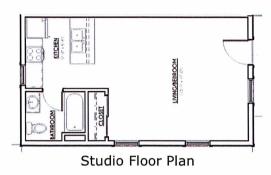
- Las personas deben cumplir con las pautas de ingresos y quieren vivir de forma independiente en un entorno comunitario con apoyo.
- The Village incluirá a personas que pagan más de la mitad de sus ingresos por vivienda o que se encuentran sin hogar.
- Cada persona que presente la solicitud completará una solicitud, una verificación de antecedentes y un proceso de selección.
- Cada hogar puede ser un hogar permanente para el residente sin límite de tiempo en la duración de la estadía.

# ¿Qué servicios ofreceremos en el Village?

- Los servicios de trabajo social, médicos, dentales y de salud conductual estarán disponibles.
- El equipo de trabajo social proporcionará referencias a otros servicios.
- Las reuniones comunitarias permitirán la resolución de problemas y el aprendizaje compartidos.



Plano de planta de un dormitorio



# ¿Quiénes son nuestros socios comunitarios?

- El liderazgo del vecindario de Edgerton apoya el proyecto.
- City Roots Land Trust será el propietario de la tierra, manteniendo las viviendas asequibles.
- Los estudiantes de YouthBuild y Edison Tech de Catholic Family Center aprenderán habilidades de construcción a través de la experiencia práctica, ayudando a construir la aldea.

# ¿Con quién me comunico si tengo preguntas sobre el Village?

- Envíe sus preguntas por correo electrónico a tinyhomes@reachadvocacy.org o llame al (585) 364-1709.
- El Centro de Servicio del Vecindario del Noroeste tendrá la información de contacto del administrador de la aldea y el equipo REACH Tiny Home.
- Cuando el primer residente se mude al Village, el administrador de residentes responderá cualquier pregunta.



P. O. Box 10845 Rochester, NY 14610 info@reachrochester.org https://reachadvocacy.org

#### Promoting Housing as a Human Right

June 10, 2022

City of Rochester 30 Church St Rochester, NY 14614

RE: Clarence Park Community Engagement

Below is a report on our verbal community engagement efforts with the neighborhood residents. Copies of email contacts and responses are included at the end of this narrative.

December 2021: Initial meeting with the Edgerton Neighborhood Association (ENA). The response was positive. They requested we update them again next month.

January 2022:Initial mailing to owners of 63 properties within 300' of the property included an invitation to join the ENA meeting and the flier that appears on our website.

Response from mailing resulted in phone calls with 118 Fulton, 124 Fulton, 41 Phelps, 43 Phelps, and Mark Greisberger of Providence Housing. All are enthusiastic supporters of the project. One additional response received through our website is attached.

Follow-up meeting with ENA. Leadership voted to support the project. No nearby neighbors attended.

April 2022: Two-day in-person flier distribution to 293 residences within 600' of the property. A neighbor at 132 Fulton Helped with flyer distribution.

We met many neighbors on Fulton, Backus, and Emerson and a few on Phelps, Locust, and Lake Ave. All expressed support of the project.

Response from distribution included phone calls with questions from neighbors at 105 Fulton, 16 Backus, and 36 Backus. After answering their questions, they indicated their approval and support for the project. Four additional neighbors called to ask if they could get on the waiting list for a Tiny Home.

Additional responses came in through our website and are attached.

May 2022: Meeting with ENA to update them about the project. Shared feedback we received from the nearby neighbors. They unanimously agreed to send a letter of support which is attached. We were invited and will attend the annual neighborhood picnic on June 24.

June 2022: Presented the concept site plan at the ENA meeting. Jose Peo, Anna Keller, and Vanessa Martel asked questions and were satisfied that we had anticipated the questions and provided them with the answers they wanted. Due to technical difficulties, only two neighborhood residents connected to the call. While they were supportive of the plan as presented, we will share the site map again at the July meeting to request additional feedback.

ENA annual picnic in Jones Square Park. REACH Advocacy will share information about the Tiny Home Village, City Roots CLT, and two of our workforce development partners will attend and provide information about how their organizations could help others living in the Edgerton neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Leaver

Marcia Reaver, Project Manager REACH Tiny Home Village

https://reachadvocacy.org marcia.reaver@gmail.com





## Fwd: Tiny Home Village REACH Advocacy, Inc.

1 message

**patrick tobin** <patrobin53@gmail.com> Wed, Feb 2, 2022 at 2:17 PM To: Marcia Reaver <marcia.reaver@gmail.com>

----- Forwarded message ------

From: patrick tobin <pattobin53@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jan 21, 2022 at 4:45 PM

Subject: Tiny Home Village REACH Advocacy, Inc.

To: <kimrizzo@protonmail.com>

Mr. Rizzo, thank you for taking the time to respond to our information submission. As a board member and committee member of Tiny Homes, I am sorry that you have the issues you raised but would be happy to discuss them with you. We have held 2 community meetings with Edgerton Neighborhood. I am sorry you were unable to attend them via Zoom. As I am sure you know, Providence Housing has done a fabulous job for years in the Edgerton area, specifically Fulton St., with their programs and ours will be as well run. I welcome you to review our website (www.reachadvocacy.org) to learn more of our capabilities. All responses and engagement with the city, exclusive of yours, have been supportive and I would like to share. Please let me know if we could discuss our progress to date. I would welcome a phone call.

Thank you.



Patrick Tobin 585.734.1573



### Marcia Reaver < marcia.reaver@gmail.com >

## **New Entry: Submit Your Feedback**

3 messages

### **REACH Tiny Home Village Website**

<kmark86@twc.com>

Reply-To: kmark86@twc.com To: marcia.reaver@gmail.com

Thu, Apr 28, 2022 at 12:01 PM

#### Name

Kathleen Stewart

#### **Email**

kmark86@twc.com

Enter a phone number if you want us to call you.

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What do you like about this plan to create a Tiny Home Village? I don't like it.

What questions do you have about the Tiny Home Village?

What were the deciding factors in selecting Clarence Park?

#### Is there anything you don't like about the plan?

The surrounding areas have populations of senior citizens (us). The prospective inhabitants cannot be confined to Clarence Park.

Do you have suggestions to improve the plan?

A proposal for neighborhood security.

i understand REACH Advocacy may contact me for permission to submit my comments to City Zoning.

I agree

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#### Sent from REACH Tiny Home Village

Marcia Reaver <marcia.reaver@gmail.com> Thu, Apr 28, 2022 at 1:16 PM To: kmark86@twc.com

Kathleen,

Thank you for your feedback. As a city resident and senior citizen, I certainly understand your concern for safety and will answer your questions accurately and honestly.

We selected the site on Clarence Park because it is a large vacant property that has been vacant for about twenty years. There are only a few residential properties of this size within the City, and none of them are available for building in the near future.

Your neighbors shared the history of the property. We know about the lack of attention from the landlords that led to the City taking over the property and removing the houses.

REACH Advocacy will continue to own the tiny homes and will not turn the property over to a management company. We don't want the neighbors or our tenants to have the same experience you had with the previous owners and tenants. We will remain actively involved with screening prospective tenants, running background checks, and ensuring the property is well maintained.

Our plan is for a supportive community with a manager living on site. The manager will work with the residents helping them learn what it means to be a good tenant and a good neighbor. Our social work team will provide

supportive services for all residents and help them develop a life plan to act as a road map to a better life.

Through seven years of operating an emergency winter shelter, we have learned that people who feel respected gain a sense of dignity that moves them away from the behaviors that make others feel unsafe. Giving someone a safe home to call their own and supporting them as they move forward on their path out of their past life gives them the respect and dignity they need to become a positive member of the Edgerton Community.

I welcome continuing the conversation to discuss our mission and intentions for building this small community within the larger Edgerton community. Please let me know a good time to call you.

Marcia Reaver Project Manager

REACH Tiny Home Village https://reachadvocacy.org (585) 364-1709

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Marcia Reaver <marcia.reaver@gmail.com> Sat, May 7, 2022 at 1:25 PM To: Patrick Tobin <pattobin53@gmail.com>

Follow-up phone call today. Kathleen is now onboard and excited about our project.

Marcia

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## Re: New Entry: Submit Your Feedback

1 message

**Michael Faro** <br/> <br/> Sat, May 7, 2022 at 6:22 PM To: Marcia Reaver <marcia.reaver@gmail.com>

Thank you! this is an awesome program and I am so glad to learn more about it.

On May 7, 2022, at 1:07 PM, Marcia Reaver <a href="marcia.reaver@gmail.com">marcia.reaver@gmail.com</a> wrote:

Thank you for contacting us with your questions about the Tiny Home Village. We try to be transparent in our process. With so many aspects of the project attacking systemic problems within the City of Rochester, it isn't easy to include everything without overwhelming people with information.

We have a signed MOU for social work services with MC Collaborative, a trauma-informed care management agency that provides the same benefits for our emergency winter shelter. They are an independent, well-connected, and highly respected organization working with all aspects of healthcare services within the county. We don't want to limit our tenants to one system or the other since the availability of services requires having access to a broad range of providers.

As we build the community, we will partner with several workforce development programs providing training opportunities for young, predominately City residents. Most of these programs will then partner with our residents to provide them with opportunities in their programs as a pathway to high-paying, skilled construction jobs.

Additionally, we will partner with Greyston, an open hire ATTACHMENT organization. They recently opened a Rochester office and already have six workforce development contracts throughout the area. They will provide non-construction workforce development opportunities for our residents.

I hope this answers your questions, but please don't hesitate to follow up if you have additional questions.

Marcia Reaver Project Manager

REACH Tiny Home Village https://reachadvocacy.org (585) 364-1709

On Sat, Apr 30, 2022 at 2:59 PM REACH Tiny Home Village Website <a href="mailto:smfaro@rochester.rr.com">bmfaro@rochester.rr.com</a>> wrote:

#### Name

Beverly Faro

#### **Email**

bmfaro@rochester.rr.com

What do you like about this plan to create a Tiny Home Village?

The community aspect is awesome, as is the small space.

What questions do you have about the Tiny Home Village?

Who will be the "employer" for the social work and medical providers who serve these residents. Will they be part of one of the larger health care systems?

Is there anything you don't like about the plan?

#### Do you have suggestions to improve the plan?

What about job training or employment services to increase the income level of occupants, allowing them to move on to larger houses as needed?

i understand REACH Advocacy may contact me for permission to submit my comments to City Zoning. I agree

Sent from REACH Tiny Home Village

The Honorable Malik Evans, Mayor of Rochester Rochester City Hall 30 Church Street Rochester, NY 14614

Subject: Proposed REACH Advocacy's Tiny Home Village

Dear Mayor Evans,

This letter is to express our support for the proposed Tiny House Project. We understand there was a community outreach session in the last few months, and we look forward to any future community input sessions.

We are excited to have this project centrally located in the Northwest and look forward to the opportunities for people in need.

Respectfully yours,

Deborah Smith

Edgerton Neighborhood Association, Board of Directors
Deborah Smith President-Lydia Warr Rivera Vice President-Louis Amico Treasurer
Gary Goldstein Communication Contact: Golde1213@gmail.com/585-944-4969

cc:

Jose Peo, City Council Member, NW Bruce Wilder, NW NSC Administrator



## Rochester Northwest Rotary Club



Rochester, New York

November 2, 2022

Michael Woodruff City of Rochester 30 Church St. Rochester, NY 14614

Re: Support of the Tiny House Village Project for Clarence Park. REACH Advocacy

Dear Mr. Woodruff,

Our Rotary Club is familiar with the proposal for tiny houses to be located at Clarence Park in our service area. We fully support this project, and the important partnerships that REACH has developed which includes critical services for this population.

Addressing the issues faced by the homeless require more than temporary shelters. Homelessness is a chronic and growing problem for Rochester, including the Northwest quadrant. This program brings more permanent housing as well as the support necessary. Tiny house villages (with associated support services) have been successful in cities such as Austin Texas, Los Angeles, Seattle, Albuquerque and Chicago. Rochester should join this group in solving this problem.

The Rochester Northwest Rotary Club hereby endorses this effort by REACH Advocacy.

Sincerely,

Judith Bennett, Club Secretary

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On behalf of the members of the Rochester Northwest Rotary Club



#### **Rochester Refugee Resettlement Services**

Address: 393 Lexington Avenue, Rochester, NY 14613 Mailing Address: PO Box 15733, Rochester, NY 14615 (585) 319-3134 • (Office)

www.rochesterrefugeeservices.org

November 2, 2022

Michael Woodruff City of Rochester 30 Church St. Rochester, NY 14614

Re: Support of Tiny House Project for Clarence Park. REACH

Dear Mr. Woodruff,

Consider this a letter of support for the REACH tiny house project proposed for Clarence Park in the Edgerton neighborhood. As an agency that deals in housing (for refugees) we are very familiar with the hosing conditions that exist in Rochester and in the City's northwest. With our office located on Lexington Ave. near Dewey, we see and have been visited by several homeless people. It is our experienced opinion that homelessness is a significant problem and that those who are homeless are most frequently faced with additional challenges such as addiction or mental illness and thus need support in a controlled and supportive environment to make progress. REACH has the programs, staff and collaborations that will provide this environment.

Please support this important initiative for our neighborhood and our City.

Sincerely,

Mike Coniff, CEO Rochester Refugee Resettlement Services, Inc.



Charlie C. Albanese Co-Founder Nicholas J. Coulter Co-Founder

400 West Ave Rochester NY 14611

November 4, 2022

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to document PCHO's support of REACH's proposal to provide 12 units of Tiny Home's in a conjunction with a Tiny Home Village that will be part of the overall community's goals of reducing homelessness and providing permanent supportive housing. Person Centered Housing Option's believes in REACH's mission and purpose and believe their plan has a solid framework and focus as they develop this property.

PCHO Inc. is committed and determined to provide quality housing services and support the goals of our community's homeless and REACH is meeting these goals via this project. They are focusing on the chronic homeless and street homeless and reducing the recidivism by using the housing first model. The only solution to homelessness is housing. If further information is necessary, please advise, otherwise PCHO will be happy to serve this community and support REACH as they grow. Thank you for this opportunity!

Sincere/V

Nicholas J. Coulter, Co-Founder and CDO



### Penfield Presbyterian Church

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www.penfieldpresbyterian.org

"We are followers of Christ welcoming all in worship and fellowship as we share God's love through service."

June 15, 2021

Presbytery of Genesee Valley

On behalf of the Session of Penfield Presbyterian Church, we are pleased to endorse and partner with REACH Advocacy, Inc. for the planning, development and occupancy of REACH Tiny Home Village in the City of Rochester.

At its meeting on May 18, 2021, the Session authorized the Clerk of Session to assist in the preparation of the application for the grant, including drafting a letter of support. The draft letter herein was approved by Session at its meeting on June 15, 2021. The Session of Penfield Presbyterian Church also acknowledges its responsibility of the Project Final Report.

The Session and the congregation of Penfield Presbyterian Church believe that this project aligns well with our adopted Mission Statement and are excited for the project's completion.

Grace and Peace,

Doug Fox, Clerk of Session Penfield Presbyterian Church



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October 13, 2022

Michael Woodruff Associate Real Estate Specialist-City of Rochester 30 Church Street - Room 125B, Rochester, NY 14614

RE: Clarence Park Tiny Home Village

Dear Mr. Woodruff,

I am the Executive Director of Providence Housing Development Corporation. Providence provides housing for families and seniors, supportive housing and special needs housing in the twelve counties comprising the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester. Providence has multiple housing units in Rochester, including properties at 117-121, 123-125, 129, 131 and 135 Fulton Avenue, immediately adjacent to the Clarence Park property.

Providence Housing is in full support of REACH Advocacy moving forward with this Tiny Home Village, as we are caring for similar targeted tenants within our housing units. We recognize that there is a significant shortage of affordable housing for those experiencing homelessness or living at or below 30% of the average median income level. This Village approach will provide a sense of community for those in need of safe and affordable housing.

It is our hope that the City of Rochester can support this project as we are so doing. It is desperately needed.

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Thank you for your courtesy,

Providence Housing Development Corporation

Mark M. Greisberger

Executive Director



April 2, 2021

REACH Advocacy Tiny Homes Committee PO Box 10845 Rochester, NY 14610

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to provide our support for the REACH Tiny Home Village, a project designed to create a safe, affordable, permanent housing option in Rochester to meet the needs of people living below 20% of the Area Median Income (AMI). The Tiny Homes project is designed to build and manage a supportive community of code compliant, environmentally responsible tiny homes on permanent foundations providing an innovative and collaborative response to an unmet housing need in the City of Rochester, NY. Tiny Homes is an extension of REACH Advocacy which has been working with chronically homeless people since 2015 by way of their emergency winter shelter, placing more than 40% into permanent housing each year.

Since 1827, St. Paul's Church has sought to be a witness to hope and charity in the Rochester community and beyond. We recognize the need for affordable, low-income housing for those who are deprived this essential need by unjust systems. REACH Tiny Home Village, near to where St. Paul's Church was founded, provides that hope and charity around housing in creative and tangible ways.

St. Paul's Church has partnered with REACH since its inception. We are proud to support the Tiny Home Village as it serves the neediest in the Rochester community. We look forward to working with REACH in the years to come to help this project and others.

The Tiny Homes project is a multi-dimensional approach in that service providers are already connected to REACH Advocacy, which will ensure a broadened opportunity for additional services should they be needed or beneficial. We whole-heartedly support REACH's position that safe and affordable housing is a Human Right that should be afforded every citizen, especially people living in extreme poverty. We are anxious to see this project come to fruition.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Robert A. Picken

Rector

#### INTRODUCTORY NO.

459

Ordinance No.

# Authorizing a purchase option agreement for the redevelopment of 1 and 2-12 Clarence Park

WHEREAS, the City has received a joint proposal from City Roots Community Land Trust, Inc. (City Roots) and REACH Advocacy, Inc. (REACH) (together and collectively, the Developers) to develop and operate a pocket neighborhood consisting of twelve Tiny House style dwelling units, a dwelling for an on-site manager, a community center/meeting space and other amenities to serve residents with extremely low incomes at or below 30% of the Area Median Income (the Project) on an approximately 0.96-acre site comprised of two vacant City-owned parcels known as 1 Clarence Park and 2-12 Clarence Park (collectively, the Site); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a purchase option agreement authorizing City Roots to acquire the Site for a purchase price of \$8,360, which is based on an independent fair market value appraisal, and authorizing City Roots to thereupon provide a long-term ground lease of the Project Site to REACH to develop and operate the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The Council hereby approves and authorizes the City to enter into a purchase option agreement with City Roots for the following parcels owned by the City and comprising the Site for an appraised value of \$8,360:

Address	SBL#	Size
1 Clarence Park	105.43-2-54	±0.07 acre
2-12 Clarence Park	105.43-2-50.002	±0.89 acre

for the purpose of establishing the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

Section 2. The Project's twelve dwellings shall be rented to individuals who are at least eighteen years of age with incomes at or below 30% of the Area Median Income ("AMI") and who will be charged rents that do not exceed 30% of their income.

Section 3. The agreement shall establish a term of one year for City Roots to exercise the purchase option, subject to the satisfaction of certain prior conditions, including but not limited to: a) the Developers raising sufficient funds to construct and operate the Project; b) the Developers obtaining the zoning and other land use approvals necessary to develop the Project; and c) City Roots committing to and making substantial progress on a City-approved work plan to remedy housing and property code violations on other properties owned by City Roots in the city.

Section 4. The deed of the Site to City Roots shall contain a reverter clause that provides that title to the Site may revert to the City in the event that the Developers fail to satisfy certain conditions subsequent, including but not limited to: a) City Roots entering into a ground lease with REACH to develop and operate the Project for a term of 99 years with the option for the parties to extend the term by up to three additional periods of 99 years each; and b) REACH completing and obtaining Certificates of Occupancy for twelve Project dwelling units, as well as completing other elements of the Project, on a timely basis in compliance with a phased development schedule set forth in the agreement.

Section 5. The agreement shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Mayor deems appropriate.

Section 6. The City is hereby authorized to enter into such other agreements and to execute such other instruments as may be necessary to implement the actions authorized herein.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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# PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE INTRODUCTORY NO.

Malik D. Evans Mayor

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December 7, 2022

MAYOR 36

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Authorizing Agreements - Rochester Peace Collective

Council Priority: Public Safety

Comprehensive Plan 2034 Initiative Area: Reinforcing Strong Neighborhoods

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation related to authorizing agreements for violence prevention initiatives as part of the Rochester Peace Collective Initiative; \$5,000,000 in funds provided to the City pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) were originally appropriated by City Council for this purpose in Ordinance No. 2022-140. This legislation will:

1. Establish \$3,095,000 as total maximum compensation for the agreements of organizations as described in the chart on the second page. 11 of the 13 agreements will be for a one-year term, with the option of one two-year renewal. The remaining two will be for a one-year term as noted in the table below. All 13 agreements will have an optional no cost, six-month extension, to ensure that the organizations can exhaust all of their awards.

The remaining balance of \$1,905,000 from the appropriation be used for an additional seven agreements, evaluation and monitoring of the organizations in the Rochester Peace Collective; media campaigns and other resources; additional staffing for the Office of Violence Prevention Programs; and unforeseen expenses or agreements.

Further information and description of the projects is included in the accompanying attachments. These organizations were selected through a request for proposals process described in the vendor selection forms. Each consultant will be required to provide reporting to the City periodically to ensure that services are being rendered as described in each proposal.

Respectfully Submitted.

Malik D. Evans

Mayor

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### **ATTACHMENT A: ROCHESTER PEACE COLLECTIVE CONSULTANTS**

Organization	Contact Name & Title	City, State, Zip	Project Focus
Action for a Better Community, Incorporated	Jerome Underwood, President & CEO	Rochester, NY 14611	Restorative justice, service navigation, etc.
Agape Haven of Abundance, Inc.	Julia Oakley, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14613	Youth enrichment - summer, after-school
Baden Street Settlement of Rochester, Inc.	Ron Thomas, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14605	Youth development, life skills training
Cameron Community Ministries, Inc.	Olivia Kassoum- Amadou, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14606	Youth development and leadership. Academic enrichment, life skills
Community Resource Collaborative, Inc.	Tina Paradiso, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14607	Re-entry, job training, skills training
Conflict Management Solutions LLC	Nakita Williams, Owner/Manager	Rochester, NY 14624	Re-entry, conflict resolution mental health support
Hope Initiatives, CDC, Incorporated	V. Dale Sedgwick, CEO	Rochester, NY 14608	re-entry services, job prep, and employment skills
Judicial Process Commission, Inc.	Susan Porter, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14611	Re-entry services, mental health support, life skills training
Planned Parenthood of Central and Western New York, Inc.	Michelle Casey, President and CEO	Rochester, NY 14605	Arts, music, job training and preparation, youth development, etc.
The Center for Youth Services, Inc.	Dr. Elaine Spaull, Executive Director	Rochester, NY 14620	Re-entry
Fatherhood Connection, Inc.	Reggie Cox, CEO	Fairport, NY 14450	Re-entry, violence prevention, fatherhood services
Villa of Hope	Christina M. Gullo, President & CEO	Rochester, NY 14616	Re-entry, violence prevention
Youth Making Changes Inc. (YMC)	Denoris Crisler, President	Rochester, NY	Re-entry and aged out foster kids

# ATTACHMENT B: ROCHESTER PEACE COLLECTIVE CONSULTANTS ALLOCATIONS

Organization	Maximum Compensation (1st year)	Maximum Compensation Amount (for 1st year of renewal term, if exercised)	Maximum Compensation Amount (for 2 <sup>nd</sup> year of renewal term, if exercised)	Total Maximum Compensation Amount
Action for a Better Community, Incorporated	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Agape Haven of Abundance, Inc.	\$50,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$50,000.00
Baden Street Settlement of Rochester, Inc.	\$66,666.66	\$66,666.66	\$66,666.68	\$200,000.00
Cameron Community Ministries, Inc.	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$300,000.00
Community Resource Collaborative, Inc.	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.34	\$400,000.00
Conflict Management Solutions LLC	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$120,000.00
Hope Initiatives, CDC, Incorporated	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.34	\$400,000.00
Judicial Process Commission, Inc.	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Planned Parenthood of Central and Western New York, Inc.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$225,000.00
The Center for Youth Services, Inc.	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$150,000.00
Fatherhood Connection, Inc.	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Villa of Hope	\$250,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$250,000.00
Youth Making Changes Inc. (YMC)	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,231,666.64	\$931,666.64	\$931,666.72	\$3,095,000

#### ATTACHMENT C: PROJECT DESCRIPTION

<u>Action for a Better Community, Incorporated:</u> \$250k to provide restorative justice for individuals with a history of incarceration, gang activity, and reentry.

The Blueprint is a combination of the evidence-based Cure Violence model and the Restorative Justice Circle process incorporating community-based approaches based to counseling, skill building and multiple services which have been demonstrated to have the greatest impact in reducing violent behaviors.

Agape Haven of Abundance, Inc.: \$50k Funds for a new pavilion and kitchen build out, to better serve youth and expand their Hunger Relief Program.

Out-of-School programs (Hunger Relief, Youth Empowerment, Community Corrections, and Health Education) supports positive development, increase access to opportunities and removes barriers to academic achievement. These programs provide youth a safe place to go, when the home environment is not conducive for a healthy development.

<u>Baden Street Settlement of Rochester, Inc.</u> \$200k to aid children from marginalized communities to identify their talents, understand relationships, and to feel positive and confident about their futures.

The Violence Intervention Project address trauma and adverse childhood experiences through holistic interventions: life skills (communication, academics, employment), healthy relationships, access to health care, youth asset development, and mentoring relationships.

<u>Cameron Community Ministries, Inc.:</u> \$300k to provide emergency services, education, empowerment, and engagement to up to 50 children and youth.

The "So Strong" project is designed to increase academic enrichment, social, emotional, and cognitive health, reduce risky behaviors, build youth leadership, and civic engagement, as well as provide a safe and supportive environment.

<u>Community Resource Collaborative, Inc.:</u> \$400k to provide 45 high-risk, predominantly reentry youth, ages 16-24 years old social-emotional development, life skills, job readiness and job retention support.

Rapid Relocation or Imprinting Lives programming identify highly influential individuals, reentry support, education transitions to pursue career pathways and credentials, conflict resolution support and development, and restorative communication development.

<u>Conflict Management Solutions LLC:</u> \$120k to serve parolees and post-incarcerated individuals, through trauma informed support of social emotional needs.

The Change, Choices and You Program provide Re-Entry Services, On-the-Ground Outreach, and Skills Training – Life Skills (Conflict Management, Critical Thinking, Effective Communication and Anger Management, and Interactive Journaling).

<u>HOPE Initiatives, CDC, Incorporated:</u> \$400k to serve and address violence prevention in the City of Rochester, through HOPE Works Programming.

Hope Works Program provide an alternative to violence by equipping and connecting individuals who have a criminal background or gaps in experience to services such as: Hope Woodworks, Hope Moving and storage, Hope Handyperson services, and Affordable Housing services.

## <u>Judicial Process Commission, Inc.:</u> \$250k to serve and advocate for formerly-incarcerated individuals in the City of Rochester affected by the criminal justice system.

The New Journey Program serves 50 high-risk women to establish stable housing, reunification, and trauma-informed care, and reduction in barriers to employment. The Legal Action Employability Project provide legal services that promotes successful reentry and employment.

<u>Planned Parenthood of Central and Western New York, Inc.:</u>\$225k to provide positive youth development to counter violence, for youth of color who face systemic racism and disinvestment in communities.

In Control for Peace has 6 programs – In Control of You Leadership, Culinary Arts/Healthy Eating, Art/Design, Clothing Production, Job Readiness, Digital Media Production –designed to keep youth engaged in positive behaviors and gaining skills to help them reject violence.

<u>The Center for Youth Services, Inc.:</u> \$150k for anti-violence prevention programs and supports for school-aged youth.

The Center for Youth programs and services focuses on positive youth development, skill attainment, and legal alternatives for first-time offenders. Services also include, anti-violence and anti-substance abuse assistance, workforce development, and restorative trauma-informed interventions in response to school suspensions of students.

<u>Fatherhood Connection, Inc.:</u> \$250k to provide parental life skills for underserved fathers in low-income black and brown communities of the City of Rochester.

The Men and Boys-to-Men 8-week programs is provide a supportive atmosphere for fathers to change their mindset and will gain a stronger understanding of their roles and responsibilities to curb their violence for the best interest of their children. Fathers will be equipped with skill sets to become more confident & competent leaders in our community.

<u>Villa of Hope:</u> \$250k to support the expansion of the JRC Program and community engagement for youth to prevent involvement in violence and antisocial behaviors.

Juvenile Reporting Center (JRC) program is a 5-day-weekly after-school program for youth ages 13 to 21 on probation or referred by FACT, that provide social, recreational, life skills, and learning activities. In addition, services may include creative arts therapy, educational counseling and support, and improved connections to our other programs.

<u>Youth Making Changes Inc.</u>: \$250k to support services for aged-out foster youths between the ages of 18- 25 years of age to deter them from violence and/or crime.

Youth Making Changes, Inc. will serve as a resource center and a secure location where youth may go every day to talk about their problems, get the help, build self-confidence and peer-acceptance. There will be a variety of programs offered inside the facility (i.e. basic life skills training, job readiness, referrals to mental health-drug-alcohol treatment and anger management, administrative support, physical fitness, mentoring/counseling, conflict resolution, and music therapy).

# INTRODUCTORY NO. 460

#### Authorizing agreements relating to the Rochester Peace Collective

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a professional services agreement with each of the following organizations to provide violence prevention programming for the Rochester Peace Collective. The initial term for each agreement shall be one year and, for some agreements, there shall be an option to extend the term for up to one additional period of two years. In addition, each agreement shall provide an option to extend the term for up to six additional months in the event that a portion of the compensation funds provided for herein remains unspent at the expiration of an initial or optional extended term, provided however that said term extension shall not extend past June 30, 2026. The maximum compensation for the initial term and, where applicable, for the optional extended term of each agreement shall be as follows:

Organization	Maximum Compensation (first year)	Maximum Compensation Amount (for optional second year)	Maximum Compensation Amount (for optional third year)	Maximum Compensation (total)
Action for a Better Community, Incorporated	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Agape Haven of Abundance, Inc.	\$50,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$50,000.00
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Cameron Community Ministries, Inc.	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$300,000.00
Community Resource Collaborative, Inc.	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.34	\$400,000.00

TOTALS	\$1,231,666.64	\$931,666.64	\$931,666.72	\$3,095,000
Youth Making Changes Inc.	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Villa of Hope	\$250,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$250,000.00
Fatherhood Connection, Inc.	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
The Center for Youth Services, Inc.	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$150,000.00
Planned Parenthood of Central and Western New York, Inc.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$225,000.00
Judicial Process Commission, Inc.	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.33	\$83,333.34	\$250,000.00
Hope Initiatives, CDC, Incorporated	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.33	\$133,333.34	\$400,000.00
Conflict Management Solutions LLC	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$120,000.00

Section 2. The agreements authorized herein shall be funded in the amounts of \$1,231,666.64 from the 2022-23 Budget of the Office of the Mayor (Mayor) for the first year, \$931,666.64 from the 2023-24 Budget of the Mayor for the optional second year, and \$931,666.72 from the 2024-25 Budget of the Mayor for the optional third year, if the optional term extensions are exercised and contingent upon approval of the future years' budgets.

Section 3. The agreements authorized herein shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Mayor deems appropriate.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.