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LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL

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Caption

Action on Offer to Purchase 2137 Ferry St, La Crosse WI 54601

Staff/Department Responsible for Legislation

Jonah Denson/Planning Development & Assessment

Requestor of Legislation

Jonah Denson

Location, If Applicable

2137 Ferry St, La Crosse WI 54601

Summary/Purpose

The Replacement Housing Program is seeking approval to use Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) to purchase the parcel at 2137 Ferry St, La Crosse WI 54601.

Background

Over the last several years, there have been many orders to correct issued for this house. The upper floor does not have insulation or drywall; the ceiling has started to fall in the dining room on the main floor and the basement foundation is showing significant water damage. After several months of negotiation, the owner of the parcel agreed to sell to the City's Replacement Housing Program. Once we secure ownership of the parcel, the house will be demolished, and the parcel will be used to develop a new single-family, owner-occupied home. Sale proceeds will allow the current owner to maintain safe and sanitary rental housing.

Fiscal Impact

CDBG - \$150,000.00 for purchase of the parcel

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of this offer to purchase request