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**Sponsor:** Property Tax and Election Services

**Meeting Date:** 6/15/2021

**Title:** Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 1700  
Barclay Street North, Maplewood, MN 55109

**File Number:** 2021-282

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**Background and Rationale:**

The subject property is located at 1700 Barclay Street North and is an occupied residential single-family house located in the Wakefield Park subdivision in the city of Maplewood. Property taxes for 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 were unpaid and the property forfeited to the state on August 3, 2019. The repurchase applicant is Richard A. Lang, fee owner at the time of forfeiture, ("Repurchaser").

The City of Maplewood was notified of the pending repurchase and provided opportunity to review application for police, building, and property maintenance code violations within the past five years. The City of Maplewood declined to provide comment or recommendation about the repurchase to the Board of Ramsey County Commissioners.

The Department of Property Tax & Election Services ("Department") has reviewed the repurchase application and supporting documentation and finds Repurchaser has experienced personal and financial hardship which eventually led to the forfeiture of the property.

Based on these findings the Department recommends approval of the repurchase application, thereby correcting any undue hardship or injustice resulting from the forfeiture due to the loss of the property.

**Recommendation:**

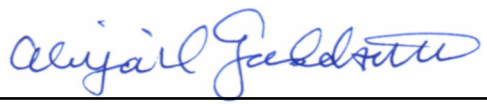
The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustice or undue hardship caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:  
Commissioner District 7  
PIN: 15-29-22-34-0022  
Property Address: 1700 Barclay Street North, Maplewood, MN 55109  
Repurchase Amount Due to Date: \$23,372.06
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Richard A. Lang, fee owner at the time of forfeiture, ("Repurchaser"), subject to the following conditions that must be met within 90 days of approval of this resolution: Repurchaser will a) execute a repurchase contract; and b) provide the required down-payment or payment-in-full of all back taxes, interest, penalties, recording fees and costs and maintenance costs at the time of execution.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner MatasCastillo, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

By: 

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Abby Goldsmith, Interim Chief Clerk - County  
Board