

City of Ashland- Housing Committee Meeting Notice

A meeting of the Ashland Housing Committee will be held on **Wednesday June 10th, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. via GoTo Meetings.**

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/871061397>. You can also dial in using your phone at United States (Toll Free): [1 866 899 4679](tel:18668994679) or United States: [+1 \(224\) 501-3316](tel:+12245013316) using Access Code: 871-061-397

Agenda

- 1) Consent Agenda
- 2) Approval of minutes from the May 13, 2020 Housing Committee meeting
- 3) Citizen Comments
- 4) Old Business
 - a) Update on progress with CDBG, HIP and property maintenance
 - b) Discussion of RFP for housing development on the City-owned Timeless Timber site
- 5) New business
 - a) Review and vote on approval of request to relieve Jill Spagnolo of her responsibility to CDBG-RLF debt
 - b) Discuss providing hotel vouchers for at-risk individuals related to COVID-19
 - c) Set next meeting date and discuss possible agenda items
- 6) Announcements
- 7) Adjournment

It is possible that members of and a possible quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information or speak about a subject, over which they have decision-making responsibility. Any governmental body at the above stated meeting will take no action other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.

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City of Ashland - Housing Committee Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Ashland Housing Committee was held on Tuesday, May 13th, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. via Go To Meetings.

Committee Members Present: Elizabeth Franek, Sam Ray, Eric Lindell, Megan McBride, Mayor Lewis, Ana Tochtermann

Committee Members Absent: Kathy Beeksma, Kaas Baichtal

Staff Present: Christine Luebben (Property Maintenance Specialist)

Citizens Present: Betsey Harries

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda

1) Consent Agenda and Approval of Minutes

Minutes tabled to next meeting as some committee members did not receive prior to the meeting.

2) Public Comment (non-agenda items)

None.

3) Old Business

a) Updates on property maintenance, CDBG, and HIP

Property Maintenance

Christine Luebben updated the committee about current property maintenance enforcement taking place, which has been limited to only focus on cases with significant amounts of garbage in lawns. Letters are being sent out to people who received property maintenance letters in the past with due dates of this summer, extending their timelines to the end of summer 2021. This has been done in recognition of the financial hardships and uncertainty many people are facing related to the COVID-19 health crisis.

Housing Improvement Program (HIP)

Christine Luebben informed the committee that advertisements for contractors for the HIP program had been posted in the newspaper, the City website, social media, and hardware stores. As of the May 11, 2020 deadline, the City had not received any bids and several contractors who typically submit estimates for the HIP program reached out to indicate that they are too busy to take on additional jobs at this time. The City will continue to do outreach to new contractors and work directly with paint distributors to attempt to find available painting contractors. A second round of bid solicitation will take place in June.

Christine Luebben also updated the committee that she received her Lead Safe Renovator Certification in March to assist with supervision and training as needed for contractors working on HIP projects which may include lead paint. It is currently a requirement of any contractors placing bids for paint projects that they provide proof that they also have their Lead Safe Renovator Certification.

Megan McBride updated the committee that this time is being used to identify additional funding sources to support the HIP program. Chelsea List, who is interning in the Planning Department, is working on a budget summary from 2015-present which can be shared with potential grantors and donors in the future to clearly demonstrate impact and need for the program.

Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Fund (CDBG-RLF)

Megan McBride updated the committee that Northwest Regional Planning Commission was not doing inspections at this time out of safety related to the COVID-19 public health crisis. A pre-scheduled advertisement of available funds was released on Facebook, which has generated additional contacts and potential applicants. Once inspections are taking place again, an additional advertisement will go out on social media and in the newspaper to get the word out about the program. Information on the CDBG program as well as HIP is also being sent with property maintenance letters as applicable.

b) Update on ordinance amendments related to ADU's

Megan McBride updated the committee that the recommended revisions to the City's Unified Development Ordinance related to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) had been postponed due to cancelled meetings related to COVID-19. This item will be placed on the next Plan Commission meeting for review and approval, followed by approval by City Council.

4) New Business

a) Discuss 2020 tangible goal for addressing housing needs through public-private partnership

Mayor Lewis explained that the committee has had a number of conversations to strategize about short- and long-term steps for addressing homelessness in Ashland. She requested that the committee focus on identifying one tangible goal based on resources the City currently possesses and potential community partnerships. She noted that one major asset the City currently owns to help facilitate needed types of housing development is land.

Megan McBride updated the committee that after thoroughly reviewing all City-owned land, the City does not own small or irregular pieces of land that would be available for housing development. This would be the case even if setbacks and minimum lot sizes were reduced to incentivize tiny home development. The majority of smaller lots owned by the City either have legal restrictions prohibiting development, or are located along the ravine and therefore have too steep of slopes to be available for housing development. However, the City's Public Works Department has the ability to demolish homes to support strategic demolition efforts identified in the City's Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Housing Plan. Funding was approved in the Planning & Development Department budget in the amount of \$3,500 in 2020 to assist with strategic demolition activities. These 1-2 demolition projects which the budget could support in

2020 are still being identified, but create an opportunity to facilitate new infill housing. Megan McBride will bring updates to the committee on this as more details are determined.

Mayor Lewis informed the committee that she had been contacted by a developer who has experience in constructing and managing affordable housing and has interest in developing in Ashland. Mayor Lewis and Megan McBride will be following up with this individual to learn more about what they would be interested in doing in Ashland and identify what City-owned land could best support this.

b) Review and discuss future RFP for housing on City-owned Timeless Timber site

Megan McBride explained that the City will be soliciting proposals for residential redevelopment of the southern ~22.5 acres of the Timeless Timber site (2200 Lake Shore Dr E) in 2020 with anticipated construction in 2021. Wetland delineation of the site took place in 2019, and it was determined that all wetlands on site were created as a result of the demolition process. Exemption of these human-made wetlands from wetland mitigation standards has been requested and approved by the Wisconsin DNR, and the City is awaiting approval from the Army Corps of Engineers. Once both approvals are secured, the City will be ready to release the Request for Proposals and development costs will be significantly reduced as a result of the wetland exemption approvals.

Recommendations by the Committee for goals that should be included in the 2020 Request for Proposals for residential development of the Timeless Timber site included:

- Providing options for affordable home ownership to help young families and first-time homebuyers stay in the community and begin to build wealth in this way;
- Facilitating a mix of different housing styles (i.e. townhomes styles, traditional multi-family, tiny homes, etc.) to help diversify Ashland's housing options for a variety of age and income ranges;
- Creating additional housing to support identified community needs, including housing that is attractive and accessible to seniors, quality new-build rental housing, supportive housing or housing that includes some level of services; and
- Encouraging housing development that is compatible with and takes advantage of the surrounding amenities including the adjacent pedestrian trail, nearby St. Luke's Clinic, public transit access, existing stream on the east side of the property, and future anticipated commercial development just north of the residential redevelopment site.

Follow-up actions based on this will be:

- Megan McBride will reach out to Impact 7 to determine their interest and ability to partner on housing development on the Timeless Timber site. In past discussions, Impact 7 indicated that they do not have the capability to be the developer or provide financing for a Community Land Trust (CLT). She will discuss their ability and interest in partnering on an alternative type of housing development that still meets identified community needs;
- Mayor Lewis will reach out to Becki Schillinger with Northwest Wisconsin Community Service Agency (NWCSA) to discuss their needs and capacity to partner on a housing development project as well; and

- Megan McBride will write a draft Request for Proposals based on the Housing Committee's feedback, and will bring this to the next meeting for review and feedback.

- c) Set next meeting date and discuss possible agenda items
Mayor Lewis asked the group if the current meeting time of 8:30am on the second Wednesday of each month.

Ana Tochtermann requested that the meeting be moved up to take place at 8:00am.

After discussion, the committee agreed that Housing Committee meetings starting in June will take place at 8:00am.

5) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Eric Lindell. Seconded by Megan McBride. Unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:43 am. Minutes done by Megan McBride and Lucas Phillips.



City of Ashland REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP #20-??

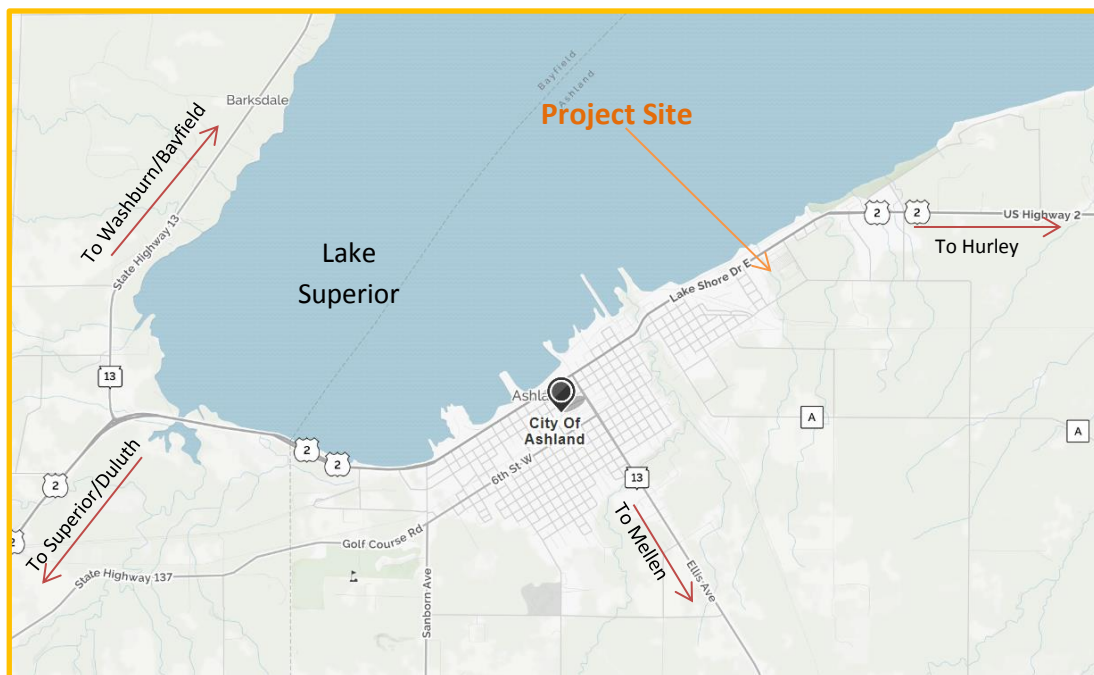
Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment

Issue Date

The City of Ashland, Wisconsin will be receiving proposals for the above noted project until _____. Proposals must be submitted in electronic format (email or flash drive preferred) with ten (1) printed hard copy mailed or delivered to:

City of Ashland
Attn: Megan McBride, Planning & Development Director
601 Main Street West
Ashland, Wisconsin 54806
Email: mmcbride@coawi.org

The City of Ashland reserves the right to reject any and all proposals not judged to be in the best interest of the City.



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment
RFP #20-??

Date of Request: TBD

Project Title: Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment

Submittal Due: TBD. There will not be a public opening for this RFP.

Late Proposals: Any proposal received by the City after the exact time and date specified will not be considered.

Submittal Format: One (1) Paper Copy and One (1) Electronic File (email or flash drive) of the proposal are to be submitted for evaluation by the City. *Label submittal: Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment*

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Withdrawal: Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time prior to the proposal closing date and time. Proposals may also be withdrawn in person by an officer or by a representative of the firm, provided that the representative signs a receipt for return of the proposal.

INTRODUCTION

PROJECT SUMMARY

The City of Ashland, Wisconsin, seeks competitive development proposals from qualified developers to help the City attain the sustainable vision set forth in its Comprehensive Plan for the Timeless Timber Redevelopment Site. The existing parcel #201-03611-0200 will be subdivided into 2 parcels, with the northern ~4.5 acres abutting US Hwy 2 designated for commercial development and the southern ~22.5 acres for residential uses. Of those 22.5 acres intended for residential redevelopment, approximately 16.5 acres are developable as an existing creek runs diagonally along the east and southeast corner of the property (see aerial maps for reference). The site is located adjacent to the 24th Avenue pedestrian corridor which connects to the Lake Superior Waterfront Trail, near both a Regional Commercial corridor near existing uses including Kwik Trip, Walmart, and St. Luke's Clinic, and adjacent to an existing residential neighborhood. The City is seeking a developer to deliver a project that complements the surrounding neighborhood and meets existing community housing needs as identified in the City's 2018 Housing Report (attached).

REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT GOALS

The City of Ashland's goals for this urban infill development site include the following:

1. Facilitate an appropriate density of urban infill development;
2. To provide housing that meets the diverse needs of the City, offering options for a mix of ages and incomes with priority given to developments that incorporate affordable housing;
3. Strives to further diversify Ashland's existing housing stock in terms of density, accessibility, affordability and populations served;
4. Can include a variety of ownership opportunities including rental housing, rent-to-own, community land trust, or other creative housing types which help expand affordable access to property rental and ownership;
5. Creates additional housing to support identified community needs (See attached 2018 Housing Study), including housing that is attractive and accessible to seniors and supports aging in place, rental and ownership options for young families, and/or supportive housing or housing that includes some level of services;
6. Design approach that integrates the development with the surrounding neighborhood area and anticipated commercial development, enhances community character, and provides connectivity;
7. To provide a development that is sustainable, including environmentally sensitive, energy efficient, and with appropriate stormwater management to protect water quality of the existing floodway on site which leads to Lake Superior, and
8. To generate additional tax base that positively contributes to Tax Incremental District #9 in which the property is located.

TENTATIVE PROJECT SCHEDULE

RFP Release Date	TBD
Proposals Due	TBD

Evaluation Period by Housing Committee	TBD
Interviews	TBD
Selection by Housing Committee	TBD
City of Ashland Plan Commission Meeting	TBD
City of Ashland Common Council Meeting	TBD
City staff & Developer Negotiate Sales Contract and Development Agreement	TBD
Zoning items/site planning approvals	TBD
Construction begins	TBD

BACKGROUND

THE CITY

Ashland is a small city with an outstanding collection of natural, cultural and historical assets. The economy of this regional economic hub is driven by a diverse mix of manufacturing, educational, medical, professional services, locally-owned retail, and tourism-related services. These assets, coupled with the varied economic base, give the city a foundation for a vibrant future that draws, retains, and nurtures people from diverse backgrounds because of the lifestyle and economic activities it offers. Ashland's location on the shores of Chequamegon Bay, in the heart of an outdoor recreational paradise centering on Lake Superior, defines the community of 8,200. Ashland utilizes the waterfront with a marina, walking/biking trails, parks, three beaches, boat launches, a pier and a vision for development of a nearly 2,000 foot ore dock base into a unique civic space. Historical influences shaping the present include educational institutions that reflect a commitment to ecology and place, including Northland College and Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College (WITC); a downtown filled with history and creativity, with numerous historical architectural landmarks, an historic district on the National Register, and a growing tradition of local public art; and a grid street network that provides the building blocks for a walkable, neighborly and well-connected community.

The City of Ashland recently completed a Housing Market Study of the City in March, 2018 (copy of study attached). The report identifies various housing deficiencies in the City which need to be met, including: affordable housing, new market rate rentals (2-3 bedrooms), and housing to serve Ashland's aging population (senior, assisted).

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Property Summary

The Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment area consists of a ~22.5 acre parcel (see attached map) located directly south of the City's Regional Commercial corridor, with approximately 16.5 acres being developable outside of the existing floodplain. A remediated brownfield which has remained unused for 5+ years, and therefore qualifies for WEDC Idle Sites Grant funding to assist with development costs. Located in close proximity to the pedestrian corridor, commercial uses and restaurants, St. Luke's Clinic,

and City-owned waterfront Bayview Park, this site offers a unique blend of access to both commercial and natural amenities of the beautiful Chequamegon Bay. Public transportation and pedestrian trail access from the site are also amenable to a wide range of housing uses that serve diverse income and age ranges.

Development Incentives

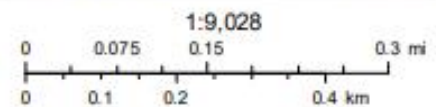
Available development incentives to support new residential development on the site, in addition to any state or federal tax credits or other available resources available to developers, include:

- Land provided at reduced or no cost to developer;
- WEDC Idle Sites Grant funding to assist with build out of utilities; and
- WHEDA Housing Grant funding if housing serves identified vulnerable populations.

Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment Site
Ashland, Wisconsin



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SITE SPECIFICATIONS

- **Location:** East side of Ashland, WI along 6th Street East spanning to approximately 3rd Street East. Located just south of Kwik Trip and anticipated commercial development (TBD based on RFP), and north of an existing residential neighborhood. The site is located approximately 1,200' south of Lake Superior.
- **Parcel ID:** #201-03611-0200
- **Legal Description:** Lot 2 of CSM #670 (attached)
- **Size:** The site for which residential proposals are being sought is approximately 22.5 acres in size, with ~16.5 acres being developable and not located in the floodplain from the existing stream on site.
- **Existing Improvements:** Vacant property
- **Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Designation:** Commercial/Mixed-Use/Traditional Neighborhood Districts, allowing flexibility in future use of the site within those parameters.
- **Current Zoning** Currently zoned Regional Commercial (RC) with Floodplain Overlay (F-O) along the ravine corridor. The site can be rezoned to best accommodate proposed development, or a Planned Development District could be approved, and would be consistent with the City's future land use plan.
- **Topography:** A stream that drains to Lake Superior (Chequamegon Bay) is present along the eastern boundary of the property.
- **Flood Plain Status:** A portion of the eastern boundary of the property is within a floodway, associated with the stream.
- **Wetland Status:** Wetland delineation of the site was completed in 2019, and exemption of all identified wetlands has been granted by both the Wisconsin DNR and Army Corps of Engineers.
- **Utilities:** Water, Sanitary, Storm and electric services are available to the site from the adjacent 23rd Avenue East, 22nd Avenue East and/or 6th Street East.
- **Site Access:** Dependent upon site design, access can be obtained from 23rd Avenue East which connects to center of the site on the north side, 22nd Avenue East to the west, and/or 6th Street East from the south.
- **Environmental Conditions:** The site has had several environmental assessments completed over the past 20 years, with the most recent having been completed in December, 2017 after removal of the buildings and concrete/asphalt from the site just north of the residential redevelopment area. Executive summaries of the most recent environmental assessments are included in the Appendices (full reports available upon request). The City and WDNR are great partners and will work together to address any environmental conditions that may need further

work, which is dependent upon the proposed final use(s) for the property and locations of such uses on the site.

There is indication that some soil on the site has been identified to contain compounds above the RCL, and will need to be managed appropriately. However, exceedance levels are not substantial, and in working with the WDNR there is indication that if such soils are encountered as part of the redevelopment, they may be able to be reused on-site such as moved to a different location and capped to serve as open space(s), or they may be covered by a building/and or pavement. None of the detected contamination is anticipated to cause a vapor intrusion issue in proposed buildings at the site. One controlled REC (CREC) exists on the site and has already been remediated, capped, and is documented on the WDNR Registry. This approx. 50' x 120' area must remain capped or be remediated with approval of the WDNR.

- **Appraised Value:** The property has not been appraised.

Existing Utility Locations

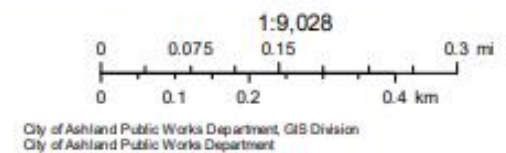


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Water

Sanitary

Storm



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PROPOSAL FORMAT AND REQUIREMENTS

Proposals that do not address the items listed in this Request for Proposals may be considered incomplete and may be deemed non-responsive by the City of Ashland at its sole discretion. It is the responsibility of the consultants submitting proposals to determine the actual efforts required to complete the project. Interested entities should submit a proposal that includes the following:

- 1) A cover letter indicating your interest in the project and identifying why the firm is uniquely qualified for this project.
- 2) A brief description of the firm including its structure, capabilities, length of time in business, and experience with similar projects. Provide the name, address, phone number and email address of the key contact person. Also identify any proposed subcontractors.
- 3) Provide information about relevant completed development projects undertaken with concentration on those comparable in scale, nature, process and function to this project. Provide the name, email address, and phone number of at least two community references.
- 4) Project Description: Provide a brief narrative describing what is proposed for construction, including as applicable: number of housing units, unit sizes, bedroom mix, for sale/rent, approximately sale/lease rates, incomes served, ages served. Include estimated timetable for construction and phasing plan. Also identify any commercial/institutional uses proposed and explain. Explain how the proposed project will achieve the desired project goals. Include approximate development costs anticipated to complete the project.
- 5) Identify the proposed purchase price for the land.
- 6) Concept plan: Submit a ***conceptual*** site plan showing initial ideas for site layout, uses, streets, access drives, parking, utilities/infrastructure, stormwater, landscaping and other features. Also provide conceptual elevations and floor plans.
- 7) Identify the anticipated financial investment required for the development (broken down by phases if applicable). Also provide a statement of Developer's financial ability.
- 8) If any responding firm wishes to subcontract any portion of this project, the information contained in item 3 should also be provided for the subcontractor.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposals must be received by _____. The submittal must include one (1) paper copy and one (1) Electronic File (email/pdf or flash drive). ***Label submittal: Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment***

Submit to: City of Ashland
Attn: Megan McBride, Planning & Development Director
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EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

The City of Ashland Housing Committee will evaluate proposals and make a recommendation to the City Plan Commission and Council for award based on a variety of factors, such as:

- Overall Concept Plan proposed and satisfaction of goals for the project area
- Extent to which proposed development maximizes the use of the site and provides for taxable value
- Qualifications and Experience of the firm and key personnel
- Demonstrated relevant experience in similar development projects and positive references

- Estimated level of investment and financial capability of developer
- Anticipated project timeframe for completion/phasing

The City's Housing Committee will evaluate the proposals received and conduct any desired interviews. The Housing Committee will then recommend one proposal to the Plan Commission, which will then make a final recommendation to the Common Council. If interviews are desired by the Housing Committee, firms will be given ample time to prepare.

RIGHTS RESERVED by the CITY OF ASHLAND

This Request for Proposals does not commit the City to enter into a contract, nor does it obligate the City to pay for any costs incurred in preparation and submission of proposals in anticipation of a contract.

The City of Ashland reserves the right to:

- Make the selection based on its sole discretion
- Reject any and all proposals without prejudice
- Issue subsequent Requests for Proposal
- Postpone opening for its own convenience
- Remedy technical errors in the Request of Proposal process
- Approve or disapprove the use of particular sub-consultants
- Negotiate with any, all, or none of the Proposers
- Solicit best and final offers from all or some of the Proposers
- Accept other than the lowest offer
- Waive informalities and irregularities in the proposal
- Request clarification of the information submitted
- Request additional information

INQUIRIES

Questions regarding this RFP must be in writing and sent via the U.S. Mail or e-mail to Megan McBride (mmcbride@coawi.org) up to ten (10) days before the proposal is due. After this date questions involving the content or intent of the proposal will not be answered. All questions will be responded to in writing, provided to all parties requesting an RFP for which the City has contact information, and treated as an addendum to the proposal packet.

PROPOSER RESPONSIBILITY

Interested proposers have the responsibility of understanding what is required by this solicitation. The City shall not be held responsible for any firm's lack of understanding. This solicitation contains a brief description of the project site. The City makes no representations as to the conditions of the project site and no employee or any other representative of the City of Ashland has authority to make any oral or written representations as to the conditions of the project site. Proposers are responsible to assure delivery prior to the deadline. Do not assume that a guarantee by a mailing service will ensure that the proposal is received by the deadline.

CONTRACT

No contract shall be in effect until the City executes a signed contract agreement.

Additional Information

1. City of Ashland Housing Market Study, March 2018
2. Wetland exemption approvals from WDNR and Army Corps
3. Final Case Closure Letter and Map of Residual Soil Contamination
4. Existing Zoning Map of Surrounding Area
5. Excerpts from Authentic Ashland 2035 Comprehensive Plan Regarding Site Disposition
6. Vicinity Map

Existing Zoning

Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment Site & Surrounding Area

Timeless Timber Residential Redevelopment Site – Area Vicinity Map
City of Ashland, WI

Summary of Request to Remove Jill Spagnolo from existing CDBG-RLF Loan

Jill Spagnolo has requested to have her name removed from the existing CDBG-RLF loan that is currently shared with Stuart Salisbury. Jill has not lived in the home for 6 years, and they are currently attempting to refinance in order to transfer the mortgage and all related responsibilities for the house exclusively to Stuart Salisbury. Stuart Salisbury is willing to take full responsibility for the existing \$27,000 loan.

While CDBG loans are typically required to be paid in full at the time of refinancing, it has been determined in this case that it is at the discretion of the City to allow/disallow this request.



Our local governments are on the front lines of supporting Wisconsin communities through the COVID-19 public health crisis and into recovery. That's why **"We're All In."**

Governor Evers and the Department of Administration (DOA) are launching the **Routes to Recovery: Local Government Aid Grants**. We are proud of the uniqueness and resiliency of every community in our state. The Routes to Recovery Grants will support local leaders in addressing some of their most urgent and unique recovery needs.

\$200 Million

Every Wisconsin county, city, village, and town in Wisconsin will receive a Routes to Recovery Grant from a \$190 million fund funded by the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

An additional \$10 million from this fund will provide Routes to Recovery Grants to Wisconsin's Tribal Partners.

> \$1 BILLION

The Routes to Recovery Grants are on-top of the \$1 billion in resources Governor Evers has already allocated for the state-wide response to COVID-19. These resources include the distribution of testing supplies, PPE, contact tracing, and other valuable resources to communities across the state.

UNIQUE ROUTES

The Routes to Recovery Grants **will reimburse all of Wisconsin's units of local government** for unbudgeted expenditures incurred this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic that have not already been covered through existing State of Wisconsin virus response efforts. Grants will cover reimbursements for the following categories:

- Emergency operations activities, including those related to public health, emergency services, and public safety response
- Purchases of personal protective equipment
- Cleaning/sanitizing supplies and services, including those related to elections administration
- Temporary isolation housing for infected or at-risk individuals
- Testing and contact tracing costs above those covered by existing State programs
- FMLA and sick leave for public health and safety employees to take COVID-19 precautions
- Meeting local match requirements for expenses submitted for reimbursement by FEMA

The determination of a local government's Routes to Recovery Grant amount is a formula based on the jurisdiction's population, as well as the priority of providing Wisconsin's units of local government no less than \$5,000, regardless of size of the population.

Visit [HERE](#) for more information, including the **Routes to Recovery Grant** allocations for Wisconsin municipalities and counties.



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