

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE December 10, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council Housing and Homelessness Solutions
TO Committee: Jesse Moreno (Chair), Cara Mendelsohn (Vice Chair), Zarin Gracey, Chad West, Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program Plan 60-day Public Comment Period and Adoption Timeline**

The purpose of this memorandum is to brief the Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee (HHSC) on the upcoming 60-day public comment period on the City of Dallas Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program Plan for FY 2024-25, attached as Exhibit A, as required by the Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program Act, Chapter 379C of the Texas Local Government Code. Additionally, this memorandum provides the Committee an opportunity to review the plan, seek clarification, and to make informed decisions regarding its implementation.

On January 28, 2004, City Council authorized the Dallas Housing Acquisition and Development Corporation (DHADC) to amend its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws to allow the DHADC to operate the City of Dallas Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program by Resolution No. 04-0458. On April 12, 2023, the City Council adopted the Dallas Housing Policy 2033 by Resolution No. 23-0433 and authorized the continued operation of the DHADC and other housing programs previously authorized but now documented and restated in the Dallas Housing Resource Catalog under Resolution No. 23-0444.

The Urban Land Bank Demonstration Act codified in Texas Local Government Code Chapter 379C requires the City of Dallas Urban Land Bank Program to adopt an annual plan to inform the public and eligible Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) of potential foreclosures on tax delinquent lots. The DHADC, a non-profit entity organized under the Texas Nonprofit Corporation Act and a duly constituted instrumentality of the City of Dallas, has successfully completed its Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program Plan for the Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Housing staff, in accordance with statutory requirements, is now in the process of making this plan available to the public for 60-day public comment period. The plan will be advertised in the Dallas Morning News during the months of December – February. During this period, staff will be meeting with the certified CHDOs and notifying affected neighborhood associations regarding the plan. The public comment period allows community members and stakeholders to provide valuable input and feedback on the

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proposed plan and is an integral part of our commitment to transparency and community engagement.

The Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program Plan outlines key strategies and initiatives aimed at addressing housing and development challenges within our community. The involvement of the public is crucial to ensuring the plan aligns with the diverse needs and aspirations of our residents.

The finalized plan will be placed on the March 12, 2025, City Council agenda item for consideration and approval.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me or Cynthia Rogers-Ellickson, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development at Cynthia.Rogersellic@dallas.gov or 214.670.3601.

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[Attachment: FY 2024-25 Urban Land Bank Demonstration Program]

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