# CITY OF CHARLOTTE

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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center 600 East 4th Street Charlotte, NC 28202

## **Legislation Text**

File #: 15-8208, Version: 1

### Sale of City-owned Property on Parkwood Avenue

#### **Action:**

Adopt a resolution approving the private sale of 1621 and 1623 Parkwood Avenue (parcel identification numbers 083-137-12 and 083-137-13) consisting of 0.259 acres of vacant land to Vista Homes II, LLC for the development of up to five townhome units which will include an affordable unit.

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Explanation**

- One of City Council's priorities is to build and preserve vibrant and diverse neighborhoods by expanding the supply of affordable housing through new construction and preservation of the existing housing stock.
  - In January 2016, City Council established a goal of creating 5,000 affordable housing units within a five-year period.
  - On October 10, 2016, City Council accelerated the goal of creating 5,000 affordable housing units from five years to three years.
  - The sale of the city properties at Parkwood Avenue for use as affordable housing furthers this goal.
- The use of publicly-owned land is one of the tools proven to assist communities across the country in the creation of affordable housing.
- The city-owned property contains 0.259 acres of vacant land currently zoned B-1 (neighborhood business) permitting residential uses in Council District 1.
- An appraisal of the property on April 9, 2018, established a fair market value of \$209,300.
- Vista Homes II, LLC, a Charlotte-based developer, desires to purchase the city-owned parcels for the development of a mixed price point housing community with an affordable HouseCharlotte qualified unit.
  - The proposed housing unit will target households earning at or below 80 percent of the area median income with a long-term affordability deed restriction placed on the affordable unit.
  - The maximum purchase price for the new construction unit is \$224,000.
  - The HouseCharlotte program provides 10-year, deferred, forgivable down payment assistance loans to qualified applicants to purchase homes within Charlotte City limits.
- The offer from Vista Homes includes the following terms:
  - Purchase price of \$140,000,
  - Earnest money deposit of \$7,000 within five days of City Council's approval to accept the offer,
  - Due diligence period of 60 days, and
  - Closing to occur within 120 days from the end of the due diligence period.
- This transaction is consistent with the Council adopted City-Owned Real Estate and Facilities Policy.

#### **Fiscal Note**

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Funding: Proceeds from the sale will be deposited into the City's General Pay-As-You-Go Capital Fund

## Attachment(s)

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