



STATUS UPDATE ON BLIGHT BOND BALLOT PROPOSAL

The \$250M Demolition Bond Proposal is currently before the Detroit City Council for review. In the near future, the body will vote yes or no to place it on the 2020 ballot for Detroit voters to approve or disapprove.

Council President Jones continuously expressed her concerns related to the fiscal impact of the possible bond issuance as well as implementation and operational issues. It is crucial that, if the bond ballot proposal is approved, there are stringent reporting, contracting, and employment commitments from the administration. Therefore, Council President Jones successfully added the following terms to the *“Resolution Confirming the Administration’s Commitment to Certain Actions Regarding Implementation of Bond Proposal Funds and Policies Governing Related Property:”* **** **See the following terms:** ***

Contracting:

- Bid Packages submitted bi-annually not to exceed 2,500 properties
- Over 50% of contracts won by Detroit Based Businesses, Detroit Headquartered Businesses, Detroit Small Businesses, Detroit Resident Businesses, Detroit Based Micro Businesses, Minority-Owned Business Enterprises, Women-Owned Business Enterprises, Mentor Ventures, and Joint Ventures.
- Beginning January 2020, 30% of all demolition contracts set aside for certified Detroit Small Businesses and Detroit Based Micro Businesses
- Required reporting relative to steps taken to attract and certify additional Detroit Small Businesses and Detroit Based Micro Businesses in demolition in the future.

Employment:

- Prior to the submission of the bid packages, submission of an employment report detailing the amount of employees versus Detroit-based employees for each demolition contractor.
- Mandatory Outreach with demolition contractors to determine employment and training needs within one (1) month of approval of the blight ballot resolution approval (if approved).
- Implementation a Blight Elimination Outreach marketing plan within one (1) month of approval of the blight ballot resolution approval (if approved) that may include, but not limited to the following: Outdoor signage; Digital and Social media outreach across Detroit at Work and all city channels; Outreach to our community partners including City Council, Faith-based, community

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partners, Department of Neighborhoods; Detroit at Work website banners and landing page highlighting details and how to sign up and find our more information (detroitatwork.com averages 50,000 visits a month); Detroit at Work newsletter with over 120,000 Detroiters subscribing; press conference to announce efforts and garner media partners stories.

- Hosting of employment fairs for contractors that do not qualify for the Detroit Resident Business certification.

Oversight:

- Submission of quarterly reports detailing the following: number of homes demolished; and proof demolition field liaisons' visits to each property.
- Completion of neighborhood plans and update the master plan for the City over the next five years with community input.

FORMAL SESSION CITY COUNCIL APPROVALS FROM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22,

City Council approved \$1,700,258.99 of 100% Federal Funding for the following contracts:

- Shelter Services Including Shelter, Meals and Permanent Housing for Homeless Men, Women and Children Located at 1180 Woodrow Wilson
- Counseling, Placement, Financial Assistance and Legal Assistance to Prevent Homelessness
- Funding to Cover the Growing Detroit Youth Talent Summer Program (900 Youth)

City Council approved \$1,810,933 of 100% 2018 UTGO Bond Funding for the following contracts:

- Two Mobile Health Clinics for the Department of Health
- Provide Dequindre/Grixdale Park Improvements with an Upgrade Playground, New Picnic Shelters, Fitness Equipment, Horseshoe Court, Little Library and New Concrete Walkways
- Provide and Install Prefabricated Park Restrooms at O'Hair, Stoepel #1 and Romanowski Park

City Council approved \$1,998,333.60 of 100% Major Street Funding for the following contract:

- Provide a Joint Venture for Construction Spot Repairs at Various Locations Citywide

City Council approved the following grants from The Office of The Chief Financial Officer/Office of Development and Grants:

- FY 2020 Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) Grant
 - The grant is to implement innovative programs to address auto theft and fraud.
 - The grant pays for salaries, fringe benefits, overtime, vehicles, and cell phones for police officers.
- FY 2019 Recycling Infrastructure Grant
 - The purpose is to increase resident enrollment in the city's recycling programs.
 - Funding will be used to purchase recycling containers, launch a public space recycling program and establish a municipal building recycling program.

