

CITY COUNCIL

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Subject: **Ordinance 1097 concerning Declaration of Surplus Property to Habitat for Humanity - Village Drive**
(Public Hearing)

Date: **2/22/2023**

Notice: Any comments made after 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the Council Meeting will not be seen in the agenda packet.

Purpose:

- FYI
 Read and Comment as Needed
 Action Required by March 6, 2023
 In Confidential File Drawer

Approve:

Casi Boyer Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Dave Martin Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Jim Ringsaker Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Jason Robertson Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Tammy Lynn Schneegas Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Carolyn Zinner Yes No No Comment

Comment: _____

Note: N/A

CITY COUNCIL
OF
HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 1097

Introduced by _____ Council President Ringsaker

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND SECTIONS 33 AND 34 OF THE HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CHARTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL SURPLUS PROPERTY, AND NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE FOR PUBLIC USE, AND OFFERED AT A NOMINAL FEE TO HARFORD HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TO CONSTRUCT THREE HOMES AS PART OF THEIR HOME BUILD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

On: 2/21/2023

at: 7:00 p.m.

Ordinance introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing is scheduled for March 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

EXPLANATION
Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.
[Bold Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Amendments proposed prior to final adoption will be noted on a separate page with line references or by handwritten changes on the draft legislation.

34 **WHEREAS**, Section 75 of the Charter of the City of Havre de Grace provides for the disposition
35 of City property; and

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37 **WHEREAS**, The Mayor and City Council is the fee simple owner of three unimproved lots of
38 land located in the Sixth Election District of Harford County, in the City of Havre de Grace, shown
39 as a part of Parcel 20 on Harford County Tax Map 605, and described as lots 22, 23, 24, 28, 29,
40 30, and 31 on a Plat entitled "Subdivision Plan Battery Village," which Plat is recorded among the
41 Land Records of Harford County in Plat Book No. 24, folio 53, and which parcels of and are a part
42 of the property described in a deed unto the Mayor and City Council dated October 5, 1984 and
43 recorded among the Land Records of Harford County, Maryland in Liber 1245, folio 158
44 (hereinafter "the Property"); and

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46 **WHEREAS**, The Mayor and City Council passed Resolution 2008-19 on September 15, 2008,
47 declaring, as surplus, seven unimproved lots of land located in the Sixth Election District of
48 Harford County, in the City of Havre de Grace, shown as a part of Parcel 20 on Harford County
49 Tax Map 605, and described as lots 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, and 31 on a Plat entitled "Subdivision
50 Plan Battery Village," which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Harford County in Plat
51 Book No. 24, folio 53, and which parcels of and are a part of the property described in a deed unto
52 the Mayor and City Council dated October 5, 1984 and recorded among the Land Records of
53 Harford County, Maryland in Liber 1245, folio 158 (hereinafter "the Property"); and

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55 **WHEREAS**, Resolution 2008-19 did not result in any further transactions occurring with the
56 named surplus lots with Harford Habitat for Humanity or any other entity due to the nature of the
57 housing market and eventual crash in the fall of 2008; and

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59 **WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council believe it is desirable that that three of the properties
60 identified in the Surplus Resolution be transferred to Harford Habitat for Humanity, (as depicted
61 in EXHIBIT A), each of which is land located in the Sixth Election District of Harford County, in
62 the City of Havre de Grace, shown as a part of Parcel 20 on Harford County Tax Map 605, and
63 described and include **lots 22, 23 & 24**; and

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65 **WHEREAS**, the execution of this Resolution evidences such support of the City of Havre de
66 Grace's partnership with Harford Habitat for Humanity, Inc. in fulfilling their vision of "*A world
67 where everyone has a decent place to live*";

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69 **BE IT DETERMINED, DECIDED, AND ORDAINED, AS FOLLOWS:**

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71 1. The Mayor and City Council believe today, as they did on September 15, 2008, that it is in
72 the best interest of the general welfare of the residents of the City of Havre de Grace to once again
73 declare the Property as surplus property, and determine that the three lots depicted in Exhibit A,
74 are no longer needed for any public purpose or public use.

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76 2. By a vote of not less than five City Council members, it is deemed in the best interest of
77 the City to waive the bid requirements of Charter Section 75 for the transfer of the Property to
78 Habitat for Humanity.

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80 3. Pursuant to Charter Section 75, the City Council authorizes the sale of the Property by
81 negotiated contract with Habitat for Humanity, Inc., for a nominal fee, plus any transaction fees
82 such as survey fees and transfer fees, and prior to issuance of certificates of occupancy, payment
83 of any permit fees, water meter, water and sewer connection fees, and any other such fees required
84 under the City Code as is customary and related to the construction of the three homes.
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86 4. The approval of the transfer of the Property to Habitat for Humanity shall be approved by
87 voter referendum in accordance with City Charter Section 75.
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89 ADOPTED by the City Council of Havre de Grace, Maryland this ___ day of _____, 2023.
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91 SIGNED by the Mayor and attested by the Director of Administration this ___ day of _____,
92 2023.
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94 ATTEST:

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF HAVRE DE GRACE

95 _____
96 Stephen J. Gamatoria
97 Director of Administration
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William T. Martin
Mayor

102 Introduced/First Reading: 2/21/2023

103 Public Hearing:

104 Second Reading/Adopted:

106 Effective Date:

109 Legislative History

110 Ordinance No. 886, adopted 5/21/2007

111 Ordinance No. 853, As Amended, adopted 3/1/2004

EXHIBIT A



