



CITY OF IONIA
CITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE
FORMER DEERFIELD AND RIVERSIDE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES**

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by City Council Member Cook and was supported by City Council Member Ketchum:

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan through the State Land Bank Authority (“SLBA”) holds title to approximately 172.14 acres of real property generally east and south of Harwood Road and south of Riverside Drive constituting the former Deerfield and Riverside correctional facilities.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to purchase the westerly 80-acres (the “Property”) for development and resale to industrial users.

WHEREAS, the City and SLBA have negotiated a purchase agreement for the Property, which is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A (the “Purchase Agreement”).

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the City to approve and execute the Purchase Agreement and make it binding on the City, and to pursue the purchase of the Property on the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed, on behalf of the City, in accordance with the terms of this Resolution, to execute the Purchase Agreement and make it binding upon the City.
2. The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed, on behalf of the City, and in consultation with the City Attorney, to enter into any agreements and execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of the Property.
3. The City Manager and City Attorney are authorized to expend sums and take all actions reasonably necessary to effectuate the Purchase Agreement including undertaking due diligence, and acquiring on behalf of the City the necessary title work, surveys, and similar matters.
4. The execution of the Purchase Agreement, the execution of any amendments to the Agreement, and any other action taken pursuant to this Resolution, must be consistent substantively and procedurally with all parts of this Resolution.
5. The execution of the Agreement, amendments to the Agreement, and any related documents intended to legally bind the City must be done jointly by the Mayor and the City Clerk.

6. The Mayor, City Clerk, City Manager, and City Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all further actions necessary to purchase the Property on terms consistent with this Resolution.
7. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflicts, repealed.
8. This Resolution takes immediate effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, repealed.

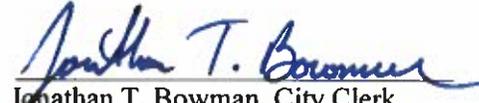
AYES: Council Members Margot Cook, Brenda Cowling, Dawn Ketchum, Tim Lee, Tom Millard,
Richard Starr, Jeff Winters, Troy Waterman, and Mayor John Milewski

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION 2025-08 DECLARED ADOPTED


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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia, Ionia County, Michigan at a regular meeting held on April 2, 2025, and that the public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting notice of publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.


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