

SUB. 1 TO RES 305, 13-14

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 1490 MARTIN STREET

The County Budget includes funds to purchase a facility that will serve as a day resource center. The vision of the day resource center is to function as part of an overall system that is geared towards moving people as quickly as possible from homelessness to employment and permanent housing.

County staff have searched for a suitable site for the day resource center since 2012. Staff have generally followed the "Recommendations for a Permanent Day Resource Center For the Homeless" Final Report dated 2/1/13 to identify properties that meet most of the desired siting criteria. Primary challenges to finding a site have been 1. Cost, 2. Location, and 3. Zoning.

Requests for proposals for both a site and operator were released by the County in 2013 to expedite the process. The County received two responses to the site RFP. One site was determined to be too small. The second site had locational challenges, may have required a conditional use permit from the City of Madison, and was prohibitively expensive relative to the current proposal to purchase 1490 Martin Street.

1490 Martin Street is located in the Town of Madison, just west of Fish Hatchery Road. The site is 0.43 of an acre and includes an 8,400 square foot building. The property is zoned C-1 Commercial District and falls under Dane County Zoning. The current owner, Porchlight Inc., has agreed to sell the property for \$330,000.

The term of the debt issued to support this project will be 20 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the Dane County Executive hereby authorize the purchase of the 1490 Martin Street for \$330,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works and Transportation and the Department of Human Services jointly hold neighborhood listening sessions to provide information and seek input from the community on the progress of the facility design and reconstruction by the end of June and again in September, in anticipation of the center opening in November, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the departments provide notice of these sessions to allow the widest possible participation by interested parties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the expenditure is authorized in advance of borrowing; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Dane County Real Estate Director and Real Estate Coordinator are authorized to administer the closing, including any agreement to allow Porchlight Inc. to temporarily use part of the space, and the transfer of the property to Dane County and the Controller is authorized to issue checks necessary to effectuate the transaction.