

LET'S TALK

Land Bank



Round One Engagement Summary 2022



*Includes those who participated in a public meeting or viewed the event flyer.

WHAT SHOULD BE THE PURPOSE OF THE LAND BANK?

Affordable housing Build sustainable communities *Small business* Buy & build
Local ownership *Community Development/Revitalization* **Increase tax base**
Spaces for youth **Gardens/urban farming (extensions)** Commercial & residential
To get rid of itself **Increase density** *Path to ownership* Emergency facilities

WHAT DOES THE LAND BANK DO WELL?

- ✓ Straightforward application process
- ✓ Customer service and support
- ✓ Fair
- ✓ Mapping and software platform
- ✓ Land Bank properties are fairly priced
- ✓ The Neighborhood Revitalization Act program works well with Land Bank

FEEDBACK SUMMARY

WHAT AREAS NEED TO BE IMPROVED?

- Improve internal UG coordination/collaboration
- **Additional staff/support for Land Bank**
- Response times from options to close; staff follow-up
- **Goals/benchmarks to reduce inventory**
- More participation from Advisory Board
- **Establish a property remediation process**
- **Yard extensions – permitted uses**
- Move Land Bank to Planning
- **Improve post-deed instructions guide**
- Ability to comment on application online
- **Improve rehab requirements/process**
- Definition of “buildable” and how that relates to acreage demands to install septic



WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

- ✓ Fewer/no vacant lots
- ✓ Increased tax base
- ✓ Seamless, coordinated process from application to build
- ✓ Affordable, inclusive housing stock
- ✓ Revitalized neighborhoods
- ✓ Coordinated development plans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- Maintenance of properties
- Enforcement of options
- Increased transparency/accountability
- Design standards that preserve green space
- Unproven builders must partner with a financial institution
- Revoke extensions for those who don't build

- Better communicate housing crisis
- Partner green builders with real estate agents
- Connect residents to resources, e.g. weatherization program, NRA, etc.
- Increased communication
- Partner with private sector
- All parcels zoned "UR" similar to KCMO

NEXT STEPS

1. **Developer Meeting**
2. **Final Public Meeting**

3. **Board of Commissioners Policy Update Process**

4. **Comprehensive Plan Update**
5. **Land Bank Strategy Development**