Racine County Ch 980 Committee

Ives Grove Office Complex
14200 Washington Ave
Public Works and Development Services Conference Room
Sturtevant, WI 53177
Tuesday, May 28, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

Meeting attended by: Assistant Corporation Counsel John Serketich & Sarah Kidd, Legal Coordinator for the Office of the Corporation Counsel Nicole Jurgens, Aging and Disability Services Administrator Michelle Goggins, Racine County Real Property Lister/GIS Manager Kim Christman, Interim Human Services Department Deputy Director Brenda Danculovich, Public Works and Development Services Director Julie Anderson, DOC Corrections Field Supervisor Nancy Ahler, and DHS Contract Specialist Angie Serwa (by phone)

1. Convene meeting

The meeting of the Ch. 980 Committee was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Assistant Corporation Counsel John Serketich. Attorney Serketich gave a brief statement on the status of the committee.

2. Public Comments

There were no members of the public present and, therefore, no comments.

3. Approve Agenda & Minutes

Agenda for May 28, 2019 meeting and Minutes from April 15, 2019 meeting reviewed.

Motion: Kim Christman moved to approve both the agenda and minutes. Seconded by Michelle Goggins.

Action: All Ayes, No Nayes. Unanimous. Motion passed.

4. <u>Discuss/consider process for making recommendation to DHS and Court for Chapter 980 sex offender placement</u>

Discussion held. Topics discussed included HSD's continued efforts to locate suitable housing, potential housing locations and options including manufactured homes and zoning restrictions, deadlines, new pending petitions, county owned properties, DHS's vendor list, increased budget, difficulties of placements in Racine County in the past, tax and sheriff foreclosures, and the limits of how many offenders can be placed together.

Michelle Goggins reported that HSD has looked at approximately 468 properties within Racine County and that only 40 of those homes meet the 1,500-foot statutory guidelines. Angie Serwa clarified for the committee that Daniel Williams does not have a restriction on children living in neighboring properties as he is not a serious child offender. Discussed at what stage Law Enforcement should investigate and report on potential locations which should be done once a property is verified as an acceptable location but not before.

Kim Christman provided an update regarding her database mapping out potential home locations and their proximities to restricted areas (parks, nursing homes, schools, etc.). Further reported on the suitability of current county owned properties.

<u>Action items</u>: Angie Serwa to send HSD her updated vendor list. John Serketich to discuss potential of holding qualifying county properties with the Treasurer's Office. Corporation Counsel and Angie Serwa to reach out to Michael Fink's attorney to clarify the deadlines set in The Court's order then Corporation Counsel will contact the Court to seek an amended order if appropriate.

Confirmed next meeting date as June 24, 2019 but time may change from 10:00 am; Michelle Goggins to confirm.

5. Closed Session

There were no discussions that required a closed session, therefore, the meeting remained open for its entirety.

6. Adjournment

Motion: Michelle Goggins moved to adjourn meeting at 11:23 a.m. Seconded by Kim Christman.

Action: All Ayes No Nayes. Unanimous. Motion passed.

Recorded June 4, 2019 Nicole Jurgens Office of the Corporation Counsel