

Racine County Ch 980 Committee
Ives Grove Office Complex
14200 Washington Ave
Public Works and Development Services Auditorium
Sturtevant, WI 53177
Monday, December 20, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

Meeting attended by: Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel John P. Serketich, Assistant Corporation Counsel Erika Frank Motsch, 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, DOC Corrections Field Supervisor Nancy Ahler, Angela Serwa from Wisconsin Department of Health Services (“DHS”), and Public Works and Development Services Director Julie Anderson.

1. Convene meeting

The meeting of the Ch. 980 Committee was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel John P. Serketich.

2. Public Comments

9:06 a.m. – 9:17 am

There were public comments by the following people:

1. Matthew Snorek
2. Angela Herbeck
3. Brian Fliss
4. Jeff Lang

3. Approve Agenda & Minutes

Agenda for December 20, 2021 meeting and Minutes from November 22, 2021 meeting reviewed.

Motion: Julie Anderson moved to approve both the agenda and minutes. Seconded by Erika Motsch.

Action: All Ayes, No Nays. Unanimous. **Motion passed.**

4. Legal updates (Office of Corporation Counsel)

9:18 a.m.

Daniel Williams

Mr. Williams was placed at the property identified by this Committee in the Town of Burlington. The Town of Burlington has filed a motion to intervene to try to challenge that placement of Mr. Williams, which is set to be heard on January 6, 2022. Crivello Carlson, S.C., was retained to represent the County in that action.

Hung Tran

Committee continues to search for an appropriate residential option. Mr. Tran filed a motion against the County to compel the County to buy or build a residence and for damages pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 51.61.

Those motions were filed December 9, 2021 and December 15, 2021, respectively. Crivello Carlson, S.C. was retained to represent the County in those actions. As discussed by the Committee previously, Mr. Tran also has a pending petition for discharge before the Circuit Court, and a court trial on that petition is set for February 25, 2022. Additionally, Mr. Tran's motion challenging the constitutionality of Wis. Stat. Chapter 980 before the federal court is still pending in the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Dennis Yarber

Committee continues to search for an appropriate residential option. As discussed previously by the Committee, Mr. Yarber's counsel indicated that actions may be filed in this matter due to the delay in locating a residential option at the review hearing held in this matter on November 1, 2021; to date, however, no such actions have been filed.

Jamerrel Everett

Committee continues to search for an appropriate residential option.

5. Residential option updates (Racine County Human Services Department (HSD))

9:22 a.m.

Ms. Goggins provided the following updates on HSD's evaluations of the potential properties provided to HSD by Ms. Christman, and HSD's other efforts to identify suitable housing for the pending parties.

November: 696 properties were referred to HSD for evaluation, of which only 50 had not been previously evaluated by HSD for conformity with statutory criteria. Of those 50 properties, 44 met statutory criteria after HSD's preliminary evaluation using the digital mapping tool. 14 properties were sent to vendors for consideration; but, no vendors expressed interested in those 14 properties. All 14 properties exceeded the amount of all participating vendors' preferred purchase prices for residential properties. Year to date, 88,951 properties have been evaluated.

Ms. Christman provided the following updates regarding the total number of properties that were sent to HSD for evaluation as of December 17, 2021:

- **MLS Listings**
 - 11-22-2021: 24 single family, 3 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 3 condos (total: 30)
 - 11-23-2021: 24 single family, 2 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 27)
 - 11-24-2021: 29 single family, 2 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 33)
 - 11-29-2021: 25 single family, 2 two-family, 2 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 30)
 - 11-30-2021: 29 single family, 2 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 3 condos (total: 35)
 - 12-01-2021: 29 single family, 1 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 4 condos (total: 35)
 - 12-02-2021: 26 single family, 1 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 4 condos (total: 32)
 - 12-03-2021: 30 single family, 1 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 2 condos (total: 34)
 - 12-06-2021: 25 single family, 1 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 4 condos (total: 30)
 - 12-07-2021: 19 single family, 1 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 6 condos (total: 26)
 - 12-08-2021: 21 single family, 0 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 6 condos (total: 28)
 - 12-09-2021: 25 single family, 1 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 8 condos (total: 35)
 - 12-10-2021: 32 single family, 3 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 5 condos (total: 41)
 - 12-13-2021: 26 single family, 3 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 31)
 - 12-14-2021: 21 single family, 3 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 2 condos (total: 27)

- 12-15-2021: 19 single family, 2 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 22)
- 12-16-2021: 21 single family, 0 two-family, 0 multi-family, and 1 condo (total: 22)
- 12-17-2021: 26 single family, 1 two-family, 1 multi-family, and 0 condos (total: 28)

- **Grand total: 546**

- 451 single family
- 29 two-family
- 13 multi-family
- 53 condos

- GIS Mapping Tool
 - There were no updates to the GIS mapping tool.

6. **Discuss-consider process for making recommendation to DHS and Court for Chapter 980 sex offender placement**

9:27 a.m.

Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel John Serketich reported that he participated in the monthly call with other Corporation Counsels from Wisconsin. Fond du Lac County reported on that call the County itself was in the process of securing a mobile/trailer home for Chapter 980 committed persons. Fond du Lac County further provided that they intended to place that residence near a County-owned and operated Public Works garage.

Milwaukee County has been able to place committed persons in residences previously used for housing of like parties.

Door County is in the process of securing mobile/trailer homes for Chapter 980 committed persons on County owned land.

7. **Closed Session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(d), (e), and (f) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to discuss confidential offender information under Wis. Stats § 980.06.**

No items for closed session.

8. **Adjournment**

9:32 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled for: **Monday, January 24, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.**

Motion: Nicole Jurgens moved to adjourn meeting at 9:33 a.m. Seconded by Nancy Ahler.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Recorded December 20, 2021

Nicole Jurgens - Office of the Corporation Counsel