

Gaston County

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Public Works Board Action

File #: 19-375

Commissioner Keigher - Public Works - To Accept an Offer to Purchase a County Owned Surplus Parcel (PID 147403 located at 5168 Crawford Road, Gastonia) and Authorize Staff to Initiate the Upset Bid Process

STAFF CONTACT

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BUDGET IMPACT

No additional County funds.

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Gaston County currently owns a parcel, PID 147403, located at 5168 Crawford Road, Gastonia. On August 28, 2018 the Gaston County Board of Commissioners approved Board Action 2018-209 to declare this non-essential, County-owned property surplus and authorized staff to initiate sale procedures pursuant to applicable North Carolina General Statute. This parcel is not in an area the County is planning to redevelop, nor is it planned for current or future redevelopment for County use. Based on the most recent revaluation, the total market value of the property is \$62,760.00.

The property is comprised of a dilapidated home (1,008 square feet) and approximately 0.34 acres of land. In an effort to prepare the property to be listed by a realtor for marketing, Gaston County staff has made multiple attempts at removing illegally dumped household garbage, used tires, and yard debris. However, the property continues to be the target for ongoing illegal dumping activities. The Public Works Office is in receipt of a written offer, in the amount of \$20,000.00, to purchase the property "as-is." Approval of this Board Action formally accepts the offer and authorizes staff to proceed with the upset bid process.

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Under G.S. 160A-269, a County has the authority to "receive, solicit, or negotiate an offer to purchase property and advertise it for upset bids." Under this statute, if the Board of Commissioners accepts this offer to purchase the property, the County must then advertise the bid in the newspaper and allow ten (10) days for subsequent bids to be received. Once an upset bid period has expired with no additional bids, staff will bring the highest and best offer back to the Commission for final consideration.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

N/A