

MEMORANDUM

October 16, 2020

To: Land Bank Authority

From: Katie Montoya

Re: October 22, 2020 meeting cancelation

Due to a scheduling conflict (virtual and online access), the October 22, 2020 meeting is cancelled. The following is what has been happening and will be discussed in further detail at our November 19, 2020 meeting.

Treasurer tax foreclosed inventory – The Treasurer Foreclosure auction was held online September 26, 2020. All structures were sold and there is a remainder of 70 vacant parcels in the inventory. A second online auction will be held on November 3, 2020. What is left over will be transferred to the Land Bank Authority. We will have a report available of what, if any, properties at our November 19, 2020 meeting.

A few properties were identified to have property descriptions where ½ of a structure was located on one property and ½ on another parcel. (We addressed a property similar to these in 2018) Two instances have been brought to the Treasurer's attention and the Land Bank Authority may be able to assist in coordinating and conveying the property and getting the properties combined to prevent this in the future.

Partnership Opportunities – Early discussions with the Harbor Country Workforce Housing Committee to partner on creating workforce housing opportunities in the New Buffalo area. Partnerships between Land Banks and Community Land Trusts have been researched and a new way to consider and assist communities in creating affordable/workforce housing.

Strategic Planning will pick back up in November and certainly discuss resiliency and recovery efforts as we navigate through the next 3-5 years.