# SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LIVABLE CITY INITIATIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (LCI BOARD) JUNE 3, 2020 AT 6 P.M.

#### **AGENDA**

I. CALL TO ORDER

**II. NEW BUSINESS** 

Address	Type of Sale	Applicant	Ward
0 Dixwell Avenue (MBP 292 0390 032	Non-Profit LOO	Columbus House, Inc.	21
324 West Division Street	Non-Profit	Columbus House, Inc	21

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Topic: Special Meeting of the Livable City Initiative Board of Directors Meeting

Time: Jun 3, 2020 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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# LIVABLE CITY INITIATIVE -PROPERTY DIVISION

# Disposition Summary Sheet

## Property Description

Prope	erty Address	M	lap-Block-Parcel	Zoning	Ward	Prop	erty Type	Total legal units
0 Dixwell Avenue (Rear of 486 Dixwell Avenue)		nue)	292 0390 03100	RM-2 21 Vacant Lot		Per Zoning		
Land + OB	018 Assessn Building	nent Value Other	(100%) Total Value		of Assessm Tax Purpo		Prop	perty Size Total sq. ft.
\$38,100	N/A		\$ 38,100		\$26,670	n er	62' X 78' (rear lot / approximate size)	5871Sq./ Ft. Per Assessor

### Property Value Information

Appraised Value	Appraised by	Date	Type of Sale	Offered amount	Rehab costs	LCI Recommended
\$ 38,100	Vision	10/1/18	Nonprofit	\$1000 per unit	N/A	\$ 2,000
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### Prior Notifications Sent to

Alderperson Name of Alderperson	Management Team	Other interested parties
Yes X No Hon. Steven Winter 21st Ward	Yes	N/A

#### Applicant's Information

Applicant's name, address & teler	hone:	Name address & t	elephone of contact person:
Columbus House, Inc	to all come of the distribution of the control of the distribution of the control of the distribution of the control of the co	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY O	cieptione of contact person:
586 Ella Grasso Blvd.		TO EACH	
New Haven CT 06519		- Anna Paris	
Applicant's City property tax status:	Review date	Reviewed by:	Comments
Current	2/5/2020	Staff	Current
<b>Proposal:</b> LCI proposes the sale of a vacant AMI or below.	lot that will be o	developed as a two-unit a	
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Board of Aldermen		

# **PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM**

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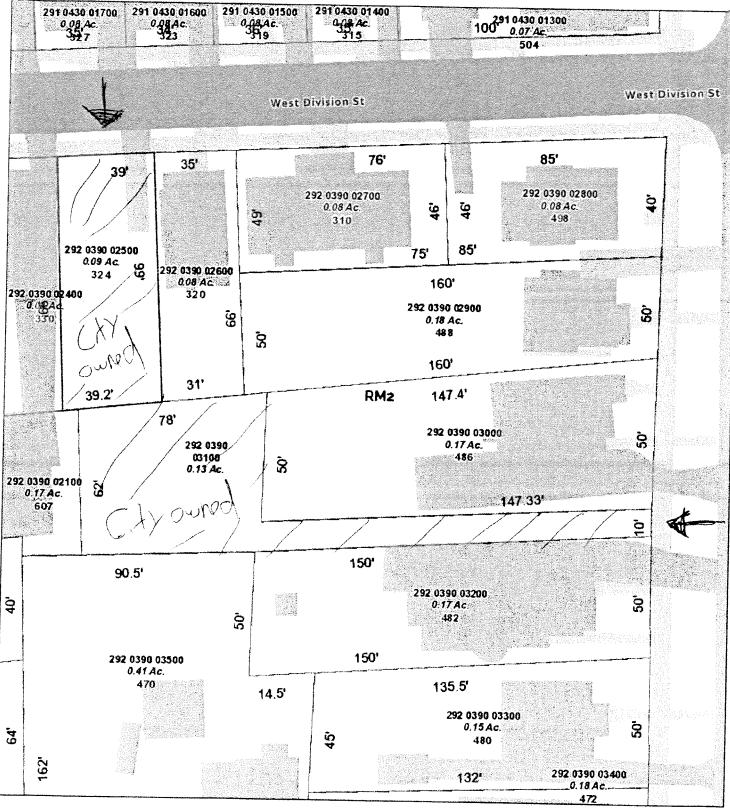
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DATE:	March 1, 2020			
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	Person	Evan Trachten	Telephone	946-8373
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## Legend

PDU Overlay Zone

Zoning Boundaries

New Haven Parcels

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February 26, 2020

Frank D'Amore Deputy Director of Neighborhood and Property Services

Evan Trachten
Acquisition & Disposition Coordinator

Livable City Initiative 165 Church St | 3rd Floor New Haven, CT 06510

RE:

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Sincerely,

Steven Winter

Alder, Ward 21

# Newhallville Community Management Team Get Connected - Be Connected - Stay Connected

February 9, 2020

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Dear Mr. D'Amore and Mr. Trachten,

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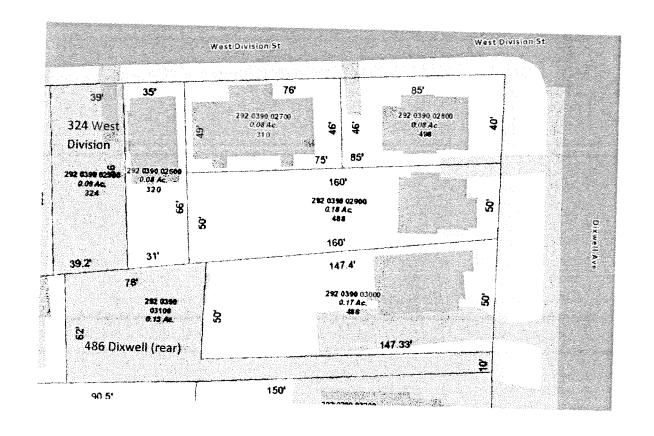
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Thank you for your consideration.

Kim Harris, Chair

## Impacted lots at 324 West Division and 486 Dixwell



#### Yale Building

In 2020, Columbus House proposes to build another two household residence at 486 Dixwell Street in collaboration with the Yale School of Architecture. This juried initiative will involve design work by Yale students, under the supervision of Yale faculty, similar to projects over the past three years. The structure will be built with the hands-on assistance of Yale students and licensed trades. Occupancy is proposed by households who have experienced homelessness.

The building will situated to allow for required setbacks .

We will use the lot at 324 West Division Street as a staging area and access point for the 2020 residence.

Easement will also be provided to the owner of the adjacent, easterly lot at 320 West Division to allow access to the property rear to access for parking.

Columbus House is seeking assistance with removal of abandoned cars on the Dixwell Steet site. We are proposing to leave the CMU wall standing with some selective access points and could use help with the dismantling of the garage. The portions of the wall that are to remain will be covered with greenery.

In 2021, a two story, owner occupied structure will be constructed at the 486 Dixwell site. Our plans for a owner occupied duplex will require relief from the zoning board of appeals. This effort will be be attempted in the spring of 2020. Should our request be denied we will construct a two story, one family owner occupied residence.

In either case, the building at will have a fifteen foot width to allow for required setbacks and the easement.

Between the two lots, four parking slots will be provided.

# Columbus House Financing

Financing is through:

Cash and in-kind Donations from supporters of Columbus House In-kind donations from supporters of YSOA Vlock Building Project Volunteer labor from students of the Yale School of Architecture Donation of a manufactured home Potential government grants (if available) 

#### Columbus House Development Schedule and Cost Breakdown

## Development Schedule

	YSOA Vlock Building Project	Manufactured
Engage surveyor Phase One Executed Acquisition process completed Site preparation initiated Construction commences	3/1/2020 3/1/2020 4/15/2020 5/1/2019 5/1/2020	homeownership 3/1/2020 3/1/2020 4/15/2020 5/1/2020
Manufactured home laid on foundation		9/1/2020
Manufactured home connected to utilities		9/15/2020
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#### Cost Breakdown

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Acquisition	3,000	The state of the s	
Phase One	2,500	2 500	
Survey	2,000	2,000	
Legal	2.000	4,000	
Construction	105.000	2,000	
Furniture		80,000	
Total	5,000	3,000	
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## Estimated Appraised Value

YSOA Vlock Building

\$126,000

Manufactured Home

\$115,000

Past projects of the Vlock Building Project and Columbus House

Address	The state of the s
54 Adeline Street	Months to complete (year) 8 (2017)
41 Button Street	8 (2018)
162 Plymouth Street	9 (2019)

Columbus House and the Yale School of Architecture are engaged in a five year agreement to produce small multi-family affordable housing structures. The proposed project in Newhallville is the fourth year of the agreement. With the support of the Hill South Management Team, LCI and the Board of Alders we have successfully completed three structures in Hill South.

The structures built in 2017 and 2018 have had the same occupants since the buildings were opened and are managed by the applicant. The 2019 structure should have occupants in January 2020.

Entitled the Vlock Building Project, after one of the donors of the project, this 2020 proposal targeted for Newhallville seeks the support of LCI to build a two unit rental structure on the Dixwell site. As with past projects, Yale students in a graduate level course will design options for the site, with the successful design selected at the end of the spring semester. Students will then participate in unlicensed tasks to build the structure during the summer of 2020.

Separate from the Vlock project, one of Columbus House's donors has made arrangements for a manufactured home to be donated for the purpose of additional affordable housing. This part of the building plans will be separate from the Vlock initiated but slated for the adjacent West Division Street site. There is a coordinated building schedule to reduce costs of installation. The applicant proposes offering the structure to an owner occupant with household income less than 50% of area median income, to fulfill the interest of the neighborhood to add to the homeownership mix. Affordability will be maintained through a mortgage and deed restrictions.

#### **Evan Trachten**

From:

K.C. Hopes Assarbases About a Domination

Sent:

Wednesday, May 20, 2020 4:47 PM

To:

Evan Trachten

Subject:

Re: 324 West Division Street, New Haven, CT

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Hello,

I was kicked out of the meeting due technical difficulties. I would like my public statement put on the record. I own and rent the property on 320 W. Division Street. My husband and I were approached several years ago to purchase a sliver lot (only half the lot) and we were told we could not build on the lot. That didn't make any sense to us at the time. My tenants have used the lot for the past 16 years. When we learned about Yale and Columbus House's proposal, we were shocked as we were told nothing could be built there. There was talk of an easement and Yale and the Columbus house being nice neighbors. However, an easement would be horrendous. Easements are a sure way to bring ill will between neighbors. Parking on W. Division street is extremely tight. And to my utter surprise, Adam proposed today to use the lot on 324 West Division Street as a pass through to the house on Dixwell Avenue. This would be quite disruptive to West Division Street. That lot is not big enough to put a house on it and to grant parking to everyone and access to a rear lot. I ask you to consider would you like that to happen next to your home.

My current tenant Sally Lopez, a registered New Haven voter and absolutely the best tenant is petrified about what this would do to her ability to park and have peace of mind. My husband and I would like to purchase the lot. Please share this with the committee members or please provide their addresses and I'll share.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kirsten C. Hopes-McFadden, Esq. HopeSpringsEternal (Keeping it REAL) "If you believe it, you can achieve it."





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- Realtor, Landlord
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- Author: Coming Soon?? Monet Love Mysteries: Mistaken Identity
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**From:** Evan Trachten <etrachte@newhavenct.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 12:18 PM

#### **Evan Trachten**

K.C. Hopes ⊲nis From: Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 1:55 PM

To: Evan Trachten

Subject: Fw: 324 West Division Street, New Haven, CT

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From: K.C. Hopes ( Company) Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2020 10:49:18 AM

To: Etrachen@newhavenct.gov < Etrachen@newhavenct.gov >

Subject: 324 West Division Street, New Haven, CT

Hello,

I hope all is well. I was given your name by Steve Winter with regard to the purchase of 324 West Division Street. I was told that a meeting was to happen today. I planned on being there prior to the city hall shutdown. I would like to purchase the lot as my tenant uses the lot for parking. There is very little off street parking and my adjacent lot at 320 West Division Street does not allow for parking. There was talk about an easement but those are notoriously hard to enforce and make for bad neighbors. My husband and I were approached years ago to purchase a sliver lot. I still have the application and would like to submit it. Please advise on what the next steps are and when a meeting open to the public will occur.

Thank you,

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# LIVABLE CITY INITIATIVE -PROPERTY DIVISION

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Applicant's Information	103	N/A

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Proposal: LCI proposes the sale of a vacant lot that will be developed as a two-unit owner-occupied property.

General discussion: The applicant will apply for Zoning relief to develop a two-unit owner occupied property at this site. If the applicant does not receive Zoning approval to develop a two-unit structure the applicant will develop one unit at this location (and the purchase price will be \$1,000.00). The applicant will be given 24 months from closing to develop this site. The applicant plans to utilize this site to access a development site a 0 Dixwell Avenue (rear of 486 Dixwell Avenue) and develop this parcel the following year. This property must be sold to an owner occupant for a combined period not less than (5) years, inclusive of successive ownership, unless a more extensive period is required by federal law, the Property Acquisition and Disposition Committee (PAD), City Plan, the Board of Director of Livable City Initiative (LCI) and / or the Board of Alders of the City

Owner Occupancy? Sale to owner occupant		
by: Date 3/2020	Concurred by:	Date 3/3/20
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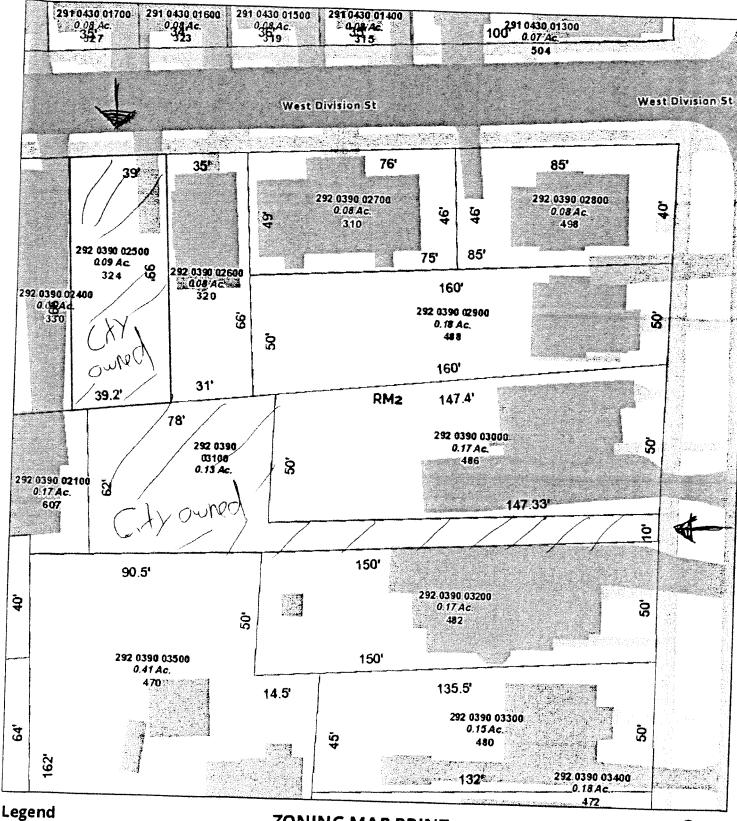
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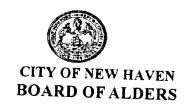
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Sincerely, Steven Winter Alder, Ward 21

# Newhallville Community Management Team Get Connected - Be Connected - Stay Connected

February 9, 2020

Frank D'Amore
Deputy Director of Neighborhood and Property Services

Evan Trachten Acquisition & Disposition Coordinator

Livable City Initiative 165 Church St 1 3rd Floor New Haven, CT 06510

RE: 324 West Division and 486 Dixwell (rear)
Columbus House, Acquisition Application

Dear Mr. D'Amore and Mr. Trachten,

As the executive board of the Newhallville Management Team we write to add our support for a favorable recommendation by LCI regarding the proposed development of 324 West Division and 486 Dixwell (rear) by Columbus House. Through the Columbus House and Yale School of Architecture visit to our management team and a tour of the City-owned lots, it is clear that this project would benefit both the block and the neighborhood. We support the effort to build a rental duplex on 486 Dixwell (rear) and an owner-occupied home on 324 West Division.

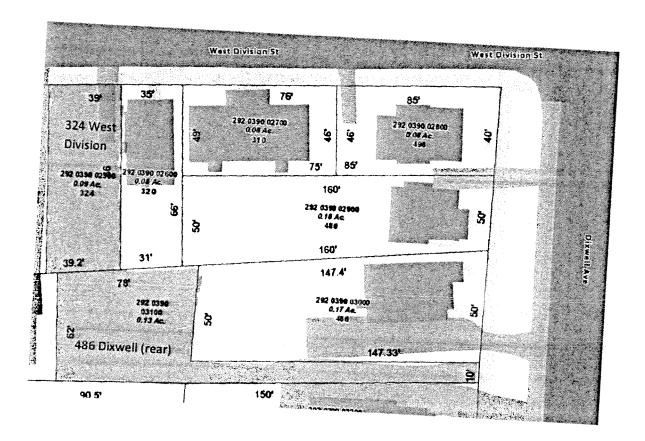
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Thank you for your consideration.

Kim Harris, Chair

# impacted lots at 324 West Division and 486 Dixwell



#### Yale Building

In 2020, Columbus House proposes to build another two household residence at 486 Dixwell Street in collaboration with the Yale School of Architecture. This juried initiative will involve design work by Yale students, under the supervision of Yale faculty, similar to projects over the past three years. The structure will be built with the hands-on assistance of Yale students and licensed trades. Occupancy is proposed by households who have experienced homelessness.

The building will situated to allow for required setbacks.

We will use the lot at 324 West Division Street as a staging area and access point for the 2020 residence.

Easement will also be provided to the owner of the adjacent, easterly lot at 320 West Division to allow access to the property rear to access for parking.

Columbus House is seeking assistance with removal of abandoned cars on the Dixwell Steet site. We are proposing to leave the CMU wall standing with some selective access points and could use help with the dismantling of the garage. The portions of the wall that are to remain will be covered with greenery.

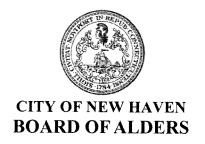
In 2021, a two story, owner occupied structure will be constructed at the 486 Dixwell site. Our plans for a owner occupied duplex will require relief from the zoning board of appeals. This effort will be be attempted in the spring of 2020. Should our request be denied we will construct a two story, one family owner occupied residence.

In either case, the building at will have a fifteen foot width to allow for required setbacks and the easement.

Between the two lots, four parking slots will be provided.



324 West Division Street (Vacant Lot)



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February 21, 2020

Serena Neal-Sanjurjo Livable City Initiative 165 Church Street New Haven, CT 06510

Re: 260 W Hazel Street

Dear, Ms. Neal-Sanjurjo,

As Alder of the 21st ward, I write to express my support for NHS New Haven, they plan to acquire and develop 260 W Hazel Street into a two-family, owner-occupied property. They plan on constructing a home with a style that fits in with the surrounding properties in the neighborhood as there is no historic preservation component to this property.

I offer this letter of support at the request of NHS New Haven. If you have any questions, please don't hessite to contact me.

Sincerely,

Steven Winter Ward 21st, Alder