#### 71ST & STONY ISLAND REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (WARD 5)

Request authority for Department of Planning and Development to enter into a negotiated sale with NeighborSpace, for the disposition of the property located at 6801 S. Dante Avenue in the 71st & Stony Island Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area. **Meg Gustafson** 

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

# RESOLUTION NO.21-CDC-\_\_\_\_

#### REQUEST TO SELL PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 6801 S. DANTE LOCATED WITHIN THE 71<sup>st</sup> & STONY ISLAND TIF REDEVELOPMENT AREA TO NEIGHBORSPACE FOR OPEN SPACE THROUGH THE CHIBLOCKBUILDER PLATFORM

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 2-124 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago (the "City") established the Community Development Commission (the "Commission"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago City Council approved the "71<sup>st</sup> & Stony Island" Increment Financing Redevelopment Project and Plan" on October 7, 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, the City owns a parcel of vacant land located at 6801 S. Dante Avenue having the Property Identification Number of 20-23-407-001 (the "Property") within the 71<sup>st</sup> & Stony Island Increment Financing Redevelopment Project and Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Planning and Development of the City of Chicago (the "Department") offered the Property for sale from November 1, 2023 to November 31, 2023 on ChiBlockBuilder, the City's platform for the sale of City-owned property; and

**WHEREAS**, a public notice directing prospective applicants to ChiBlockBuilder for listings of City-owned properties for sale was advertised in the Chicago Tribune on November 2, November 9, November 16, November 30, December 7, December 14, December 21, 2023 and January 4, January 11, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to its application on ChiBlockBuilder, the Department has entered into discussions with NeighborSpace (the "Developer") concerning the sale of the Property for open space; and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has agreed to pay \$1.00 for the purchase of the Property, which is the price listed on ChiBlockBuilder; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has determined that the sale is consistent with the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the sale of the Property will be subject to City Council approval; now, therefore,

# IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

**Section 1**. The Department advertised the sale of the Property pursuant to the terms described herein, which included requesting alternative proposals.

Section 2. The Department determined that it is in the best interest of the City to proceed with the pending proposal.

**Section 3.** The sale of the Property to the Developer is recommended to the City Council without further Commission action subject to the following terms:

Address	PIN	Price
6801 S. Dante Avenue	20-23-407-001	\$1

**Section 4**. The Chairman of the Commission is authorized to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Chicago City Council.

ADOPTED: April 9, 2024

**City of Chicago Department of Planning and Development** 

#### STAFF REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REGARDING A PROPOSED SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6801 S. DANTE AVENUE TO NEIGHBORSPACE IN THE 71<sup>st</sup> & STONY ISLAND TIF FINANCING DISTRICT

April 9, 2024

#### **I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION AND OVERVIEW**

Project Name:	6801 S. Dante Avenue: ChiBlockBuilder Land Sale
Applicant Name:	NeighborSpace
Project Address:	6801 S. Dante Avenue – 20-23-407-001
Project Size	11,760 sq ft
Ward:	Alderman Desmon C. Yancy
Community Area	South Shore
TIF Redevelopment Area:	71 <sup>st</sup> & Stony Island
<b>Requested Action:</b>	Sale of City land
Appraised Market Value:	\$23,520
Sale Price:	\$1

#### **II. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**

#### **City parcel:**

#	Tax Parcel Numbers	Addresses	Sq Ft	Current Use	City Acquisition Date	Current Zoning	Proposed Zoning
1	20-23-407-001	6801 S. Dante Avenue	11,760	Vacant	6/12/2001	RT-4	RT-4

Zoning:	RT-4
<b>Environmental Condition:</b>	Cleared by AIS
City Acquisition Method:	The property was acquired from Dante Neighbors Limited Partnership by quitclaim deed in lieu of foreclosure of a demolition lien in the amount of \$40,900 on June 12, 2001. TIF funds were not used in this acquisition.

#### III. BACKGROUND

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#### IV. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT TEAM

NeighborSpace

#### **V. PUBLIC BENEFITS**

The proposed land sale supports the neighborhood by creating new open space.

#### VI. COMMUNITY SUPPORT

This land sale is supported by Alderman Yancy.

#### VII. CONFORMANCE WITH REDEVELOPMENT AREA PLAN

The project is located within the 71<sup>st</sup> & Stony Island Tax Increment Financing District, which was initially established by Council ordinance on October 7, 1998.

#### VIII. CONDITIONS OF SALE

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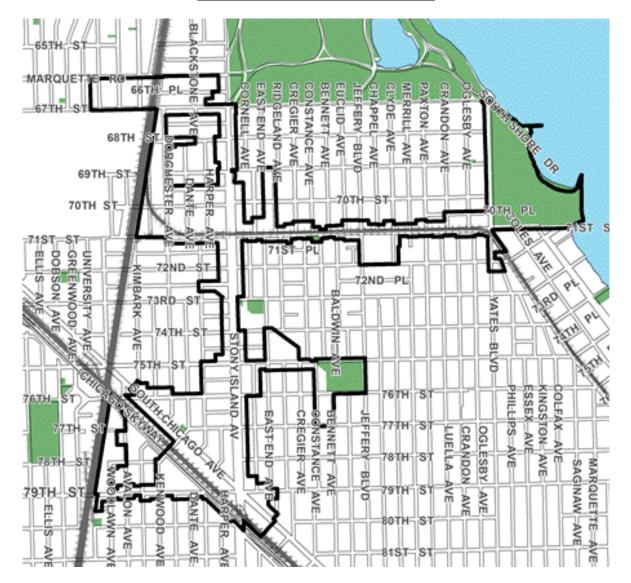
#### **IX. RECOMMENDATION**

The Department of Planning and Development has thoroughly reviewed the proposed project, its public benefits, and the project's conformance with the redevelopment area plan. The Department of Planning and Development recommends that the CDC approve the sale of the following parcels located at 6801 S. Dante Avenue.

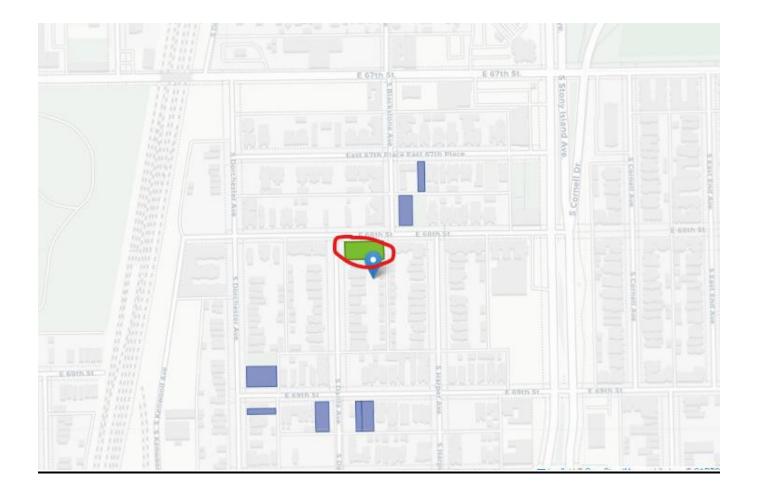
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Redevelopment Area Maps Neighborhood Context Maps Development Plan Site Photos

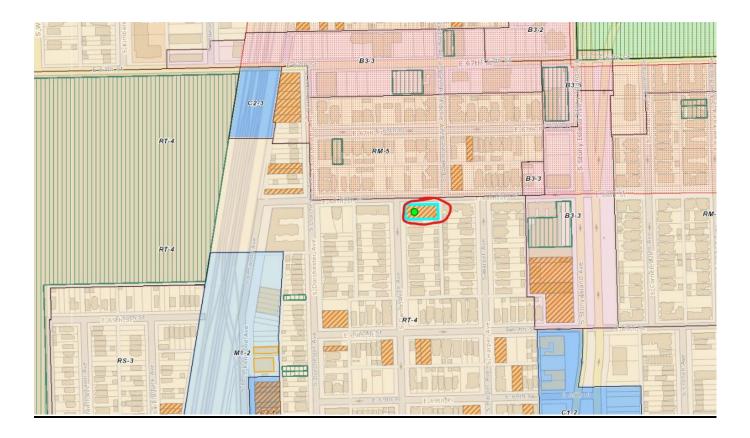
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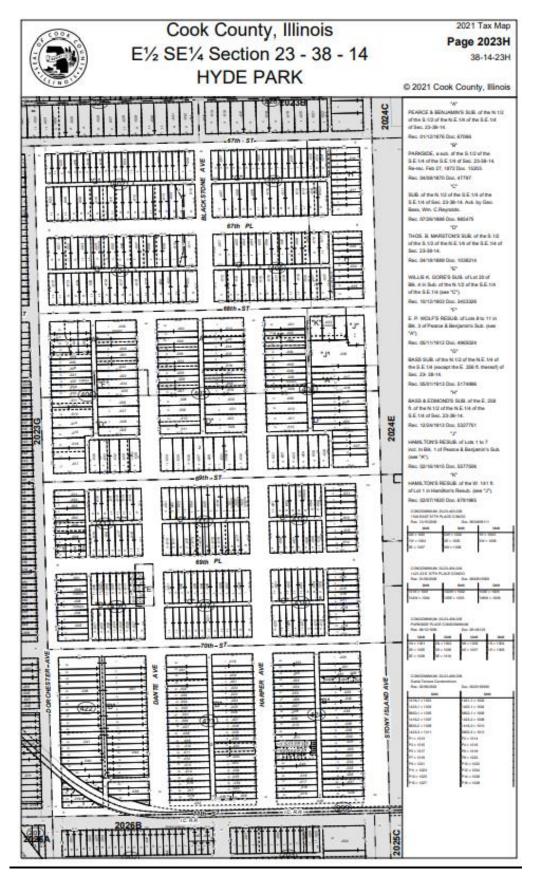
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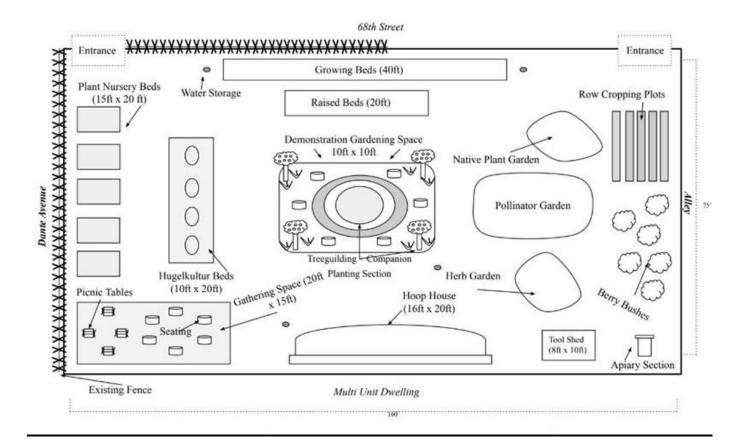


#### SIDWELL MAP



#### **DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

#### Community Garden



#### **CURRENT SITE PHOTO**



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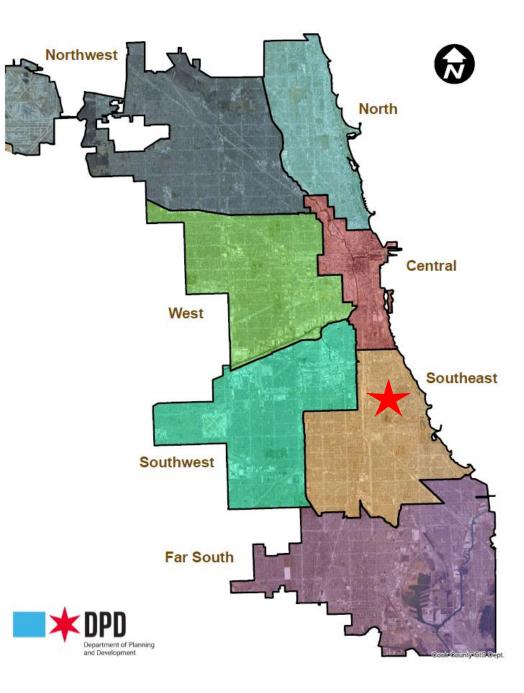
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**OPEN SPACE LAND DISPOSITION** PRESENTED BY MEG GUSTAFSON

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER CIERE BOATRIGHT

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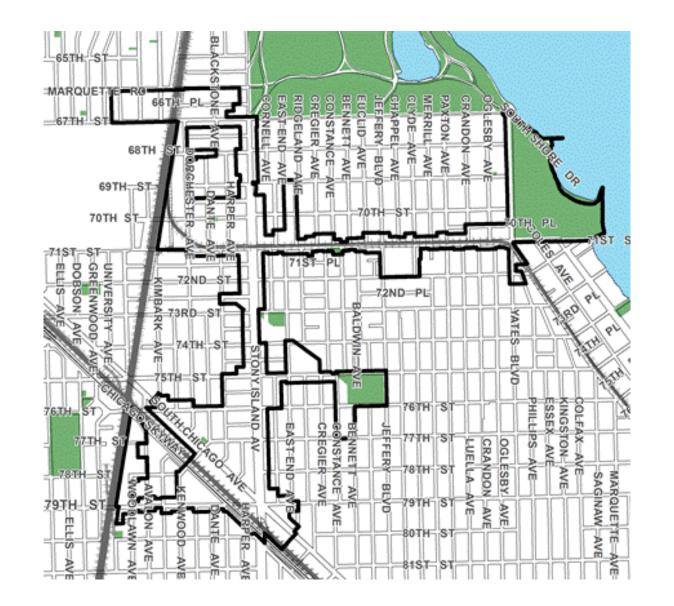
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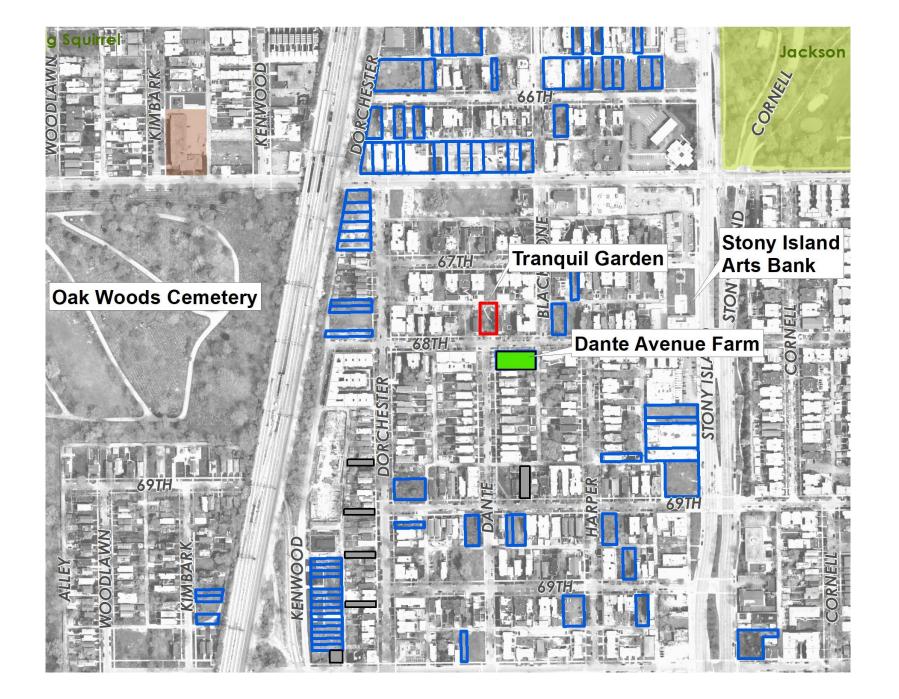


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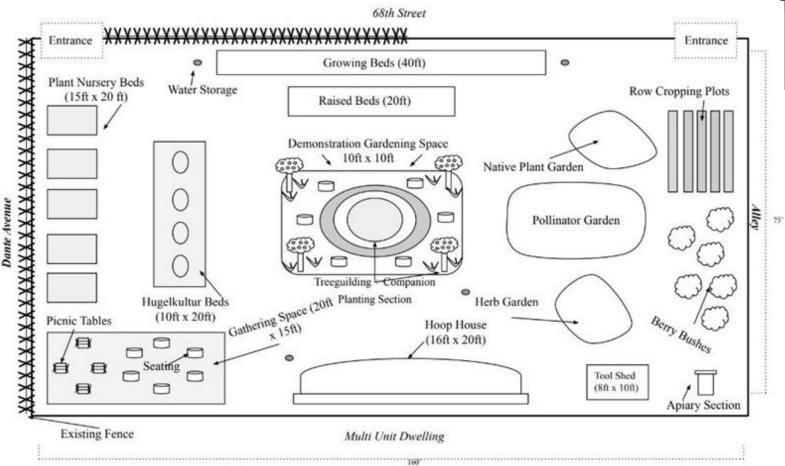
# **ZONING MAP**



## CONTEXT MAP



# SITE PHOTOS AND PLANS





## **DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET**

- Farm will grow fresh produce for sale and donation. It will distribute produce at local food pantries (Windsor Park Evangelical Lutheran Church and Parkside Elementary) and sell to South Shore restaurants.
- Builds off the success of the nearby Windsor Park Community Garden (76th and Saginaw), which will serve as the lead community partner. Technical support provided by Archer Urban Farm Initiative and the Southeast Chicago Garden Instigators.
- Build-out over three years as funding allows, beginning with fencing and raised beds and adding in storage, seating, a farm stand, a hoop house, an apiary, and a pollinator garden.
- Initial water access through existing NeighborSpace-protected Tranquil Garden across the street.
- Lead farmer Alwyn Walker is seeking funding through the Samuel deWitt Proctor Fund, Windsor Park Evangelical Lutheran Church, The Safe and Peaceful Communities Fund, the Greening the Church Fund, Community Growers Program and the Chicago Region Food Systems Fund.

	Site	e One: lization	Site		Phase Three Farm Build Out	
Water Access					\$	45,000
Site Prep/ Tree Removal						
Construction Costs			\$	25,000	\$	25,000
Remediation						
Temporary/ Permanent Fencing	\$	25,000				
Soil/Mulch			\$	6,000		
Seeds/Seedling/Planting			\$	10,000		
Labor/ Design Costs	\$	6,000				
Contingency	\$	1,550	\$	2,050	\$	3,500
Project Management	\$	3,100	\$	4,100	\$	7,000
TOTAL USES	\$	35,650	\$	47,150	\$	80,500
NeighborSpace	\$	25,000				
Grower Led Fundraising	\$	15,000				
TOTAL SOURCES	\$	40,000				