

ORDINANCE NO. 2335

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY APPROVING AN AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2015 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX SALE AS PART OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury is interested in the revitalization of abandoned or troubled properties; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified properties which have the potential to become a blighting influence on the neighborhood they are in; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that the revitalization of the areas they are in can be facilitated if the city is able to gain control of this property; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that the properties have the potential to be redeveloped for low to moderate income housing and community purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to fund the purchase at the 2015 tax sale of any or all of the identified properties for community development purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City's FY 2016 budget does not contain an appropriation sufficient to cover this purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND THAT THE City's Fiscal Year 2015 General Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

- 1) Increase Current Surplus Available (01000- 469810) by \$37,527.14
- 2) Increase Land Acquisition (90500-577020) Budget by \$37,527.14

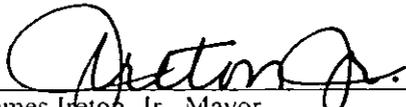
THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on this 26 day of May, 2015, and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, was finally passed by the Council on the 8 day of June, 2015.

ATTEST:

  
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Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk

  
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Jacob R. Day, President  
Salisbury City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2015.

  
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James Iretton, Jr., Mayor

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*OFFICE OF THE MAYOR*

**To:** Tom Stevenson, City Administrator  
**From:** Julia Glanz, Assistant City Administrator  
**Subject:** Budget Amendment to Provide Funding to Acquire Properties at Tax Sale  
**Date:** May 13, 2015

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Please find the attached budget amendment to provide funding to acquire properties at Tax Sale. There are currently 15 properties that the City would like to acquire with the goal of rehabilitation, repurpose or demolition to help revitalize our neighborhoods. We would like to acquire these properties on June 17, 2015, instead of waiting another full calendar year until the next Tax Sale of 2016. The City will work with community partners to systematically improve the health of our neighborhoods.

Unless you or the Mayor have any further comments, please forward this memo and the attachments to the Council for their discussion and consideration at a work session.

Attachment: Budget Amendment to Provide Funding to Acquire Properties at Tax Sale