

## Legislation Text

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## PROPOSED NO CASH BID REQUEST

Requestor: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager, City of Evanston

Request: Approval of No Cash Bid Request

Location: City of Evanston

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**Summary:** The City of Evanston is interested in participating in the 2017 No Cash Bid Program to acquire tax delinquent vacant land that will be redeveloped as affordable housing and green space in west Evanston based on the West Evanston Master Plan (WEMP) that was generated following a robust community engagement process and approved by the Evanston City Council. This Request Package contains one (1) PIN that is listed.

The PIN was part of the former Mayfair railroad right of way between Lake and Greenwood Streets. The north end of the parcel would be redeveloped as an attractive streetscape similar to that on the east side of Dodge Avenue. The parcel extends as part of the proposed bike/pedestrian greenway that follows the railroad right of way in the WEMP.

The City will file for tax exempt status on all of the parcels for as long as the City retains ownership. The City does not have an agreement with a third party to convey the parcels or for redevelopment at this time. The City will bear all legal costs and expenses to obtain the tax deed and clear title to the acquired parcels. The City agrees to submit to the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development an annual report on the status of the parcels acquired through the No Cash Bid program for five years or until development is completed, whichever occurs last.