

Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency

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Memorandum Regarding SURA Activity FY 2017-18

For the period of July 1st, 2017 through June 30th, 2018

Accomplishment Report:

During the 2017-18 fiscal year, the Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency has engaged in several activities which advance the mission of the organization. The agency currently has 18 properties in inventory, having identified 5 properties to be sold and maintaining one purchase offer. The New Urban Space project at Perseverance Park is proceeding.

The agency committed funds to assist redevelopment projects in the Southside neighborhood. Funds were committed to Home HeadQuarters for the construction of two new homes in the Southside neighborhood at 128 West Kennedy Street and 207 West Borden Avenue. Both homes are expected to be completed and sold to first-time homebuyers before the end of the 2018 calendar year. Funds were also committed to the Syracuse Model Neighborhood Corporation for the demolition of a garage structure and site development at 1551 South Salina Street. The SMNC project is also expected to be complete by the end of the 2018 calendar year.

The New Urban Space project at Perseverance Park progressed over the course of the year. SURA entered into contract with Maxian and Horst for the design development of the park, now called Salina Plaza. The drawings are scheduled to be completed by the end of the 2018 calendar year. Syracuse University generously offered to donate the street furniture and other park elements when the design is finalized. The project is expected to break ground in 2019.

Measurement Report:

The Agency continues to carry out property redevelopment activities as outlined in the Property Disposition Guidelines as previously developed, ensuring that underutilized properties are returned to productive use to fulfill the mission of the organization.