

Correspondence or responses received since notice of non-renewal or cancelation.

Staff has received calls and inquiries from owners at 1711 Main Street, 864 Madison Street and 1236 Jackson Street. They noted that the audit should have found the properties to be substantial compliance with the Mills Act Contract. The property owner at 1751 Benton Street noted to staff that the property was purchased as a foreclosure property and wants to work with the City to remain under the Mills Act Contract. The prior property owner at 741 Lincoln Street sent email stating the property was sold earlier this year and that he was concerned that the new owner was not informed of the meeting. Michael Kohl at the October 4th Historical and Landmarks Commission noted his desire to complete the audit for the properties located at 742 Jefferson Street and 906 Monroe Street/ 1341 Homestead Road. Kim Khoe, property owner, at 1695 Market Street also spoke before the HLC on participating with the audit and is willing to work with the City.

Any assumption of these contracts by new owners can be given a 2 year term to complete a substantial portion of the work prescribed in the 10 year plan. Those 10 year plans that originated with the owners but failed to initiate the schedule of improvements are not recommended for continuance since their tax reduction status is in direct violation of the State Tax and Revenue Code and the City is responsible for ensuring that tax relief is not obtained via fraudulent terms. Should the applicants wish to reapply in the future, they need to demonstrate substantial compliance with the previous unfulfilled agreements. A new agreement can be considered by the HLC and City Council. Additionally, those with contracts 10 years or older have been contacted by the City previously, but failed to act in a manner consistent with the terms of the agreement.