

**Ordinance No. 653-2020**

**By Council Members:** McCormack, Brancatelli and Kelley (by departmental request)

**An emergency ordinance authorizing the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to acquire and re-convey properties presently owned by Stoneleigh Companies, LLC, or its designee, located at 2020 Lorain Avenue for the purpose of entering into the chain-of-title prior to the adoption of tax increment financing legislation authorized under Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code.**

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:**

**Section 1.** That notwithstanding and as an exception to the provisions of Chapter 181 and 183 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies are authorized to acquire from and re-convey to, Stoneleigh Companies, LLC, or its designee, for a nominal consideration of one dollar and other valuable consideration determined to be fair market value, the following property for the purpose of entering into the chain-of-title prior to the adoption of tax increment financing legislation authorized under Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code and more fully described as follows:

2020 Lorain Avenue

Situated in the City of Cleveland, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio and known as being Lot 1 in the Plat of Lot Split and Consolidation of a part of Original Brooklyn Township Lot No. 70, as shown by the recorded plat in AFN 201805020610 of Cuyahoga County Record and containing 3.3979 acres, as appears by said plat, be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

Permanent Parcel No. 004-01-115

**Section 2.** That the Director of Economic Development is authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Cleveland all necessary documents to acquire and to convey the property and to employ and to cause Stoneleigh Companies LLC, or its designee, to pay all fees for title companies, surveys, escrows, appraisers, environmental audits, and all other costs necessary for the acquisition and sale of the property.

**Section 3.** That this Council finds the conveyances are in compliance with division (B)(1) of Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code, and the proposed improvements constitute and are declared a public purpose under said section, and the subject

property is located in a blighted area of an impacted City as required by Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code.

**Section 4.** That the conveyance shall be made by official deed prepared by the Director of Law and executed by the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies on behalf of the City of Cleveland.

**Section 5.** That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**Referred to the Directors of Economic Development; City Planning Commission; Finance; and Law; Committees on Development, Planning and Sustainability; and Finance.**