

URBAN RENEWAL PLAN

Proposed by Mayor Orr August 2019

Afforded by Wyoming statute 15-9-101

FINDINGS:

There exists in west Cheyenne the state of slum and blighted area which constitute a serious and growing menace, injurious to the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of Cheyenne. The existence of this area contributes to the spread of disease and crime and constitutes an economic and social liability imposing onerous city burdens which decrease the tax base and reduce tax revenues. Acquisition and governmental action is required because of deterioration of site and economic disuse per WY Statute 15-9-110 (B) (vi) (vii).

URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT:

The project proposes to acquire and demolition the area formally known as the Hitching Post/Lincoln Court. Installation, construction or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, and other improvements necessary for carrying out in the urban renewal area.

The City of Cheyenne shall afford maximum opportunity to the rehabilitation or redevelopment of the urban renewal area by a private enterprise including but not limited to:

- Formulation of a workable program

- Approval of communitywide plans or programs for urban renewal and general neighborhood renewal plans

- Exercising of its zoning powers

The Urban Renewal Project may, under Wy Statute 15-9-114 (a) acquire by condemnation any interest in real property which it deems necessary for or in connection with the project. Additionally, in the matter of taking property through eminent domain or condemnation, the following matters shall be considered in fixing the compensation for damages: unsafe, substandard, unsanitary, or otherwise contrary to the public health, safety or welfare.

PROJECT STAKEHOLDERS:

The following organizations/agencies shall together develop the Urban Renewal Plan for West Cheyenne Phase 1:

- Cheyenne MPO
- WYDOT
- Chamber of Commerce
- LEADS
- Cheyenne Recreation and Events
- Council Members Ward 1
- Cheyenne Planning Commission
- Project Manager

GOALS/TIMELINES:

Sept 1	City Attorney's Office draft resolution and preliminary findings
Sept 15	Community Public Event – Visioning the Future Space
Sept 20	Community Leaders/Stakeholders – Naming the possible
Oct 1	Council Resolution establishing the Urban Renewal Area
Nov 1	Notice to property owners in the impacted area Design including relocation of utilities and roads
Feb 1	Abatement proceeds
Mar 1	Road and Utility work to Ice and Events Center and possible other developments