



Stark County Land Reutilization Corporation (SCLRC) Side Lot Program

Background

The purpose of the SCLRC's Side Lot Disposition Program is to turn tax delinquent, vacant and abandoned lots into well-maintained, tax-producing properties by making these properties available to qualified contiguous property owners. The SCLRC's Side Lot Program has been in place in 2013 to improve neighborhoods and to enable property owners to expand their side yards and increase the overall value of their properties.

Process

Submitted applications will be reviewed by the SCLRC's Administrator to determine eligibility with the program's policies and procedures. After which, communities in which the requested lot is located, will also review applications for compliance with local land use and zoning codes. The Side Lot Program policies do not allow the SCLRC to transfer lots to applicants with delinquent property taxes or any outstanding code violations, liens or assessments. The total review process could take 30-60 days to complete.

To apply for a side lot, please submit the Side Lot Program Application to the address below.

Stark County Regional Planning Commission
Attn: Side Lot Program
201 – 3rd Street NE, Suite 201, Canton, OH 44702

If your application is approved, the remaining process to acquire a side lot could take 6-10+ months to complete. Properties are transferred to the new owner via Quit-Claim Deed. Please refer to the step-by-step chart below that identifies the general process of the SCLRC's Side Lot Program.

SCLRC SIDE LOT PROGRAM PROCESS

STEP 1

The Land Bank reviews a Side Lot application received from a qualified applicant.

And if preliminarily approved, the community reviews the application.

STEP 2

The qualified applicant is approved to receive the lot. The applicant is notified and is required to pay \$100.00 in order to for the process to continue.

STEP 3

The Land Bank requests a tax foreclosure on the requested lot with the County Prosecutor's Office.

STEP 4

The foreclosure process is completed, and as a result the Land Bank acquires title to the lot.

STEP 5

The Land Bank verifies that applicant still meets all of the eligibility requirements and if so, prepares the necessary documentation for transfer.

STEP 6

The Land Bank notifies the applicant that the lot is ready for transfer. The applicant is required to submit the required recording fees in order to proceed.

STEP 7

Upon receipt of recording fees from the applicant, The Land Bank transfers the lot to the approved applicant (new owner).

You can view the Side Lot Program Policies and download an application on our website at:
<http://starkcountyohio.gov/treasurer/resources/stark-county-land-reutilization-corporation-sclrc>

For more information, please contact (330) 451-7387