

Resolution 3 – Authorization to Sell Detroit Properties

Submitted by the Mission Center Officers in consultation with the Mission Center Council

Whereas, Community of Christ owns a parcel of land in Detroit, MI located at 16657 Lahser Rd, which is currently leased to Community Outreach Services Corporation (COSC) for placement of Restoration Towers signage;

Whereas, Community of Christ owns a parcel of land in Detroit, MI located at 16631 Lahser Rd, which contains the Redford Center Office building (formerly occupied by the Detroit International Stake), a congregation facility used by the Detroit Hope emerging congregation, a storage shed, and a parking area that is leased to COSC for joint usage with Community of Christ;

Whereas, COSC has expressed interest in negotiating to purchase the aforementioned parcels of lands and buildings with the intent to offer a long-term lease of building space to allow the Detroit Hope emerging congregation to continue to meet and offer ministry; and

Whereas, COSC has expressed interest in utilizing the parcels and buildings to offer community programs that align with the mission of Community of Christ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sale of Community of Christ owned properties at 16657 and 16631 Lahser to Community Outreach Services Corporation be authorized if a satisfactory purchase agreement can be reached and space is made available for lease to the Detroit Hope congregation; and

Resolved, That it be recommended to the field apostle, Presiding Bishopric, and director of Field Ministries to use net proceeds from the sale of these properties to support worldwide mission needs and enhance mission expansion efforts (launching & supporting emerging congregations, witness and invitation efforts, specialized ministries, disciple development, leadership formation, compassionate ministries, justice & peace initiatives, etc.) in the Michigan Mission Center.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Use of Net Proceeds policy effective 7/1/2017 states, “The use of net proceeds from the sale of capital assets will be invested or used for programs, financial obligations, and/or capital projects that support the vision, mission, and goals of Community of Christ as determined by the field apostle, Presiding Bishopric, and director of Field Ministries. Local jurisdictions may make recommendations to the field apostle on how to use the net proceeds for local mission.”

For official city and county purposes, the parcel address of 16631 Lahser Rd includes both the church and office buildings. For mailing and utility purposes, a separate address of 16621 Lahser Rd was established for the church facility. This resolution includes the land and buildings at both the 16621 and 16631 Lahser Rd addresses along with the 16657 Lahser parcel.