MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors, Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation

FROM: Brendan Mehaffy, Chairperson

SUBJECT: Resolution #2016-38 Approval to Bid Properties at County of Erie Tax Foreclosure Auction – RFF Properties

DATE: October 6, 2016

DISCUSSION:
Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation (BENLIC) conducts an annual Request for Foreclosure (RFF) Process. As part of this process, representatives from County municipalities review eligible tax-delinquent parcels and are invited to present tax-delinquent property “candidates” to the BENLIC Board for acquisition and return to productive use. The RFF process is described in the Rules and Procedures of the Corporation. BENLIC engaged in the RFF process with the intent to obtain an inventory of properties for the purpose of achieving the return of the selected properties to productive use – including but not limited rehabilitation and resale of residential property, sale of property to municipality, sale of side lots to adjacent owners, etc.

The BENLIC Board of Directors has accepted the recommendations of the Property Selection Subcommittee to acquire the following RFF-originated properties in towns and villages of Erie County at the County’s tax foreclosure auction:

- 26 Meadow Lea, Town of Amherst SBL# 67.72-1-4
- 850 Tonawanda Creek, Town of Amherst SBL# 14.20-2-11
- 24 Miller, Village of Depew SBL# 115.06-2-25
- 4639 Broadway, Village of Depew SBL# 103.84-3-2
- 0 Peach, Town of Evans SBL# 250.08-5-31
- 9389 Orange, Town of Evans SBL# 250.07-2-37
- 12880 Schutt, Town of Sardinia SBL# 326.06-2-11
- 121 Irwinwood, Village of Lancaster SBL# 115.07-1-17
- 27 North Aurora, Village of Lancaster SBL# 104.74-1-24
- 66 Burch, Town of West Seneca SBL# 133.35-1-33
- 50-64 Scott, Village of Hamburg SBL#s 195.08-9-4 and 195.08-9-5
- 278 Reiman, Village of Sloan SBL# 112.27-1-23

ACTION:
The Board of Directors is hereby requested to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED that BENLIC authorizes Jocelyn Gordon, BENLIC Executive Director, to attend the 2016 Erie County In Rem Tax Foreclosure Auction and bid the amount of back taxes on the slate of approved properties: and be it further,

RESOLVED that Jocelyn Gordon and BENLIC legal counsel are authorized to take whatever actions are necessary subsequent to the 2016 Erie County In Rem Tax Foreclosure Auction to execute an agreement with the County, close on the properties and ensure that BENLIC holds clear title to the properties.