

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Report No. 8

OGDENSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: Voter Authorization for the Sale of Parcel #48.080-4-22 District Property to the City of Ogdensburg for Public Use

DATE: March 20, 2017

REASON FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:

In a City School District the sale of district property must be approved by the voters. New York State Education Law authorizes a school district to sell unused school buildings and sites, but only to a public corporation for its public use. The sale of the Parcel #:48.080-4-22, a non conforming lot of record located at the corner of two paper streets; paper Jersey Avenue and paper Rosseel Street, district property to the City of Ogdensburg may be made on the terms and conditions determined by the Ogdensburg City District Board of Education. The City of Ogdensburg will be responsible for all legal fees associated with the closing and property transfer associated with this disposition. Ogdensburg City School District voter approval is required for the sale of this surplus and unneeded property on the corner of two paper streets; paper Jersey Avenue and paper Rosseel Street.

FACTS AND ANALYSIS:

Parcel # 48.080-4-22, a non conforming lot of record located at the corner of two paper streets; paper Jersey Avenue and paper Rosseel Street, district property, is not needed for Ogdensburg City School District purposes and has been deemed by the District to be unneeded, surplus property. Such a sale of said parcel would be in the best interest of the general public as the parcel will be put to public use or benefit by the City of Ogdensburg.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Moved by _____ and supported by _____ that, having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby resolve that the following proposition be placed on the ballot for approval by the voters at the annual district meeting and election to be held May 16, 2017:

"Shall the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District be authorized to sell for \$1.00, for public use, Parcel # 48.080-4-22, a non conforming lot of record located at the corner of two paper streets; paper Jersey Avenue and paper Rosseel Street located in the City of Ogdensburg, New York, in the manner provided by law?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish the notice of the Proposition in accordance with the applicable provisions of Education Law.

APPROVED FOR PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD:


Superintendent

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Attachment

**City of Ogdensburg
Department of Planning & Development**

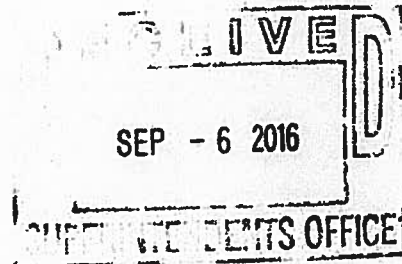
**Director
Andrea L. Smith**

330 Ford Street - Room 11
Ogdensburg, New York 13669
<http://www.ogdensburg.org>



August 30, 2016

Ogdensburg City School District
ATTN: Office of the Superintendent
1100 State Street
Ogdensburg, New York 13669



RE: Tax Map Parcel 48.080-4-22

Dear Mr. Vernsey,

The City is currently reviewing our inventory of surplus property to determine what actions can be taken to reduce the burden of tax exempt properties on City residents. In conducting this review, City staff has determined the city-owned property at 1411 Lafayette Street (Tax map number 48.080-4-21.1) to be surplus. This parcel is 1.7-acres in the moderate-density residential (MDR) zoning district, adjacent to tax map parcel 48.080-4-22 owned by the Ogdensburg City School District. Parcel 48.080-4-22 is a non-conforming lot of record located at the corner of two paper streets: paper Jersey Avenue and paper Rosseel Street.

In an effort to create one contiguous block for redevelopment, we would like to acquire parcel 48.080-4-22 from the School District. The City would be willing to offer \$1 to purchase the lot; additionally, the City would cover the legal fees associated with the closing and property transfer associated with this disposition. To assist the School District in your consideration of this request I have enclosed a copy of the tax map indicating your parcel and that of the City.

We appreciate your time and thoughtful consideration of our offer. In these difficult financial times the City is making every effort to return developable property to the tax roll to revitalize our community. We look forward to working with you as a partner in fulfilling this goal.

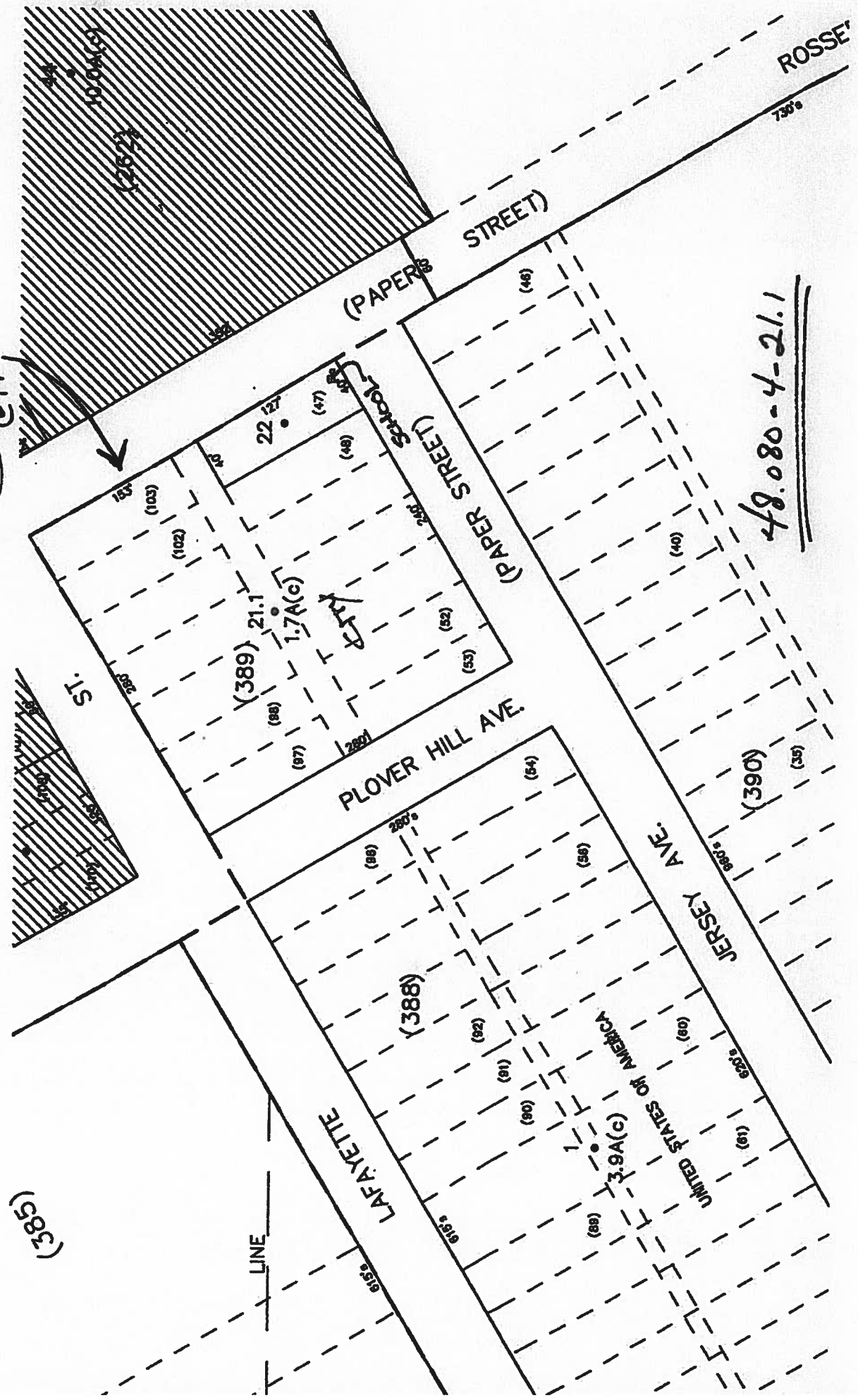
Most Sincerely,

**Andrea L. Smith
Director of Planning & Development**

CC: Sarah Purdy, City Manager, FILE

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