

MEMORANDUM

DATE April 10, 1979

TO Citizens Advisory Committee for Hardship

FROM George Sutter, Manager, Airport Acquisition

SUBJECT April 10, 1979 Meeting Parcel Z-685 Tom Fest Application for Hardship Acquisition

The Tom Fest property in all probability will be purchased by the Port within the next two or three years provided that funding is available.

In regard to the extra cost to be incurred by the Fest family due to the failure of the septic sewer system, the Port attempted to have the mandatory hook-up to the sewer system made a temporary arrangement until buy out by the Port, but the Des Moines Sewer District insisted that the full assessment of \$5,400 be made against the property with no temporary arrangement. In addition, Mr. Fest has an additional cost of approximately \$500 for the actual hook-up by a private contractor.

These above added expenses to the Fest budget prompted Mr. Fest to seek hardship acquisition and an immediate buy out by the Port. As an alternative, if his hardship application fails, he proposes to short plat his property and has already filed the preliminary paper work. By the short plat he would hope to sell or lease one or two of the lots in order to obtain addition income.

A short plat would increase the acquisition cost to the Port on the final buy out of the property due to increased value and the possibility of having to relocate two additional families under the Uniform Act. Mr. Fest has indicated he would forego the short plat if he could be assured of a hardship acquisition.

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