

Legislation Text

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WHEREAS, City Council created the Vacant Property Review Committee in 1976; and

WHEREAS, the Vacant Property Review Committee process has been a valuable tool for the City to acquire and dispose of property; and

WHEREAS, the Vacant Property Review Committee is the mechanism that allows single properties and lots to be conveyed to low income individuals who would otherwise be unable to acquire them; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of City Council to provide land acquisition assistance to all residents within Councilmanic Districts in the City of Philadelphia who request it; and

WHEREAS, without VPRC, individuals, community groups and other institutions would be unable to access the land disposition process; now, therefore be it,

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,

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