# Amend Code to Shorten Foreclosure Sale Redemption Period

## **Background**

- Chapter 5.30 Collections and Foreclosure Process
- City Foreclosures focus on vacant and distressed properties and is used as a last resort
  - Delinquent liens range from 120 days to several years
  - Notifications by phone and mail





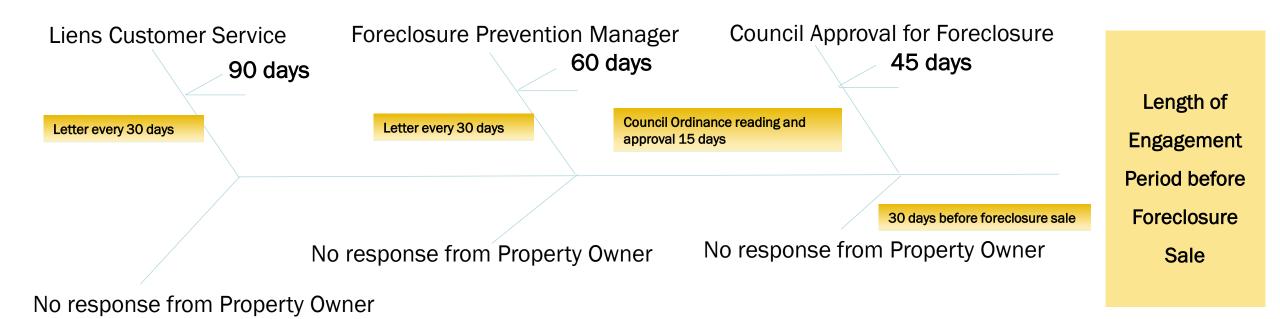
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## **Background**

- Council approves a list of Properties for a Foreclosure Sale
- City Treasurer conducts the Foreclosure Sale
  - No earlier than 30 days after Council approval
- Neighbors are frustrated with the length of time before anything is done with the property
- Purchaser isn't the legal owner until after the one year redemption period and on the hook for additional violations



## **Notification Time Period**



Approximately 6 months without a response from the property owner or payment of delinquent liens

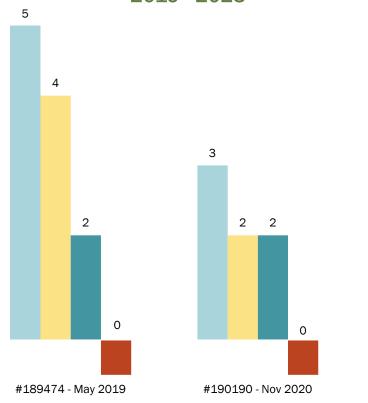
# **Redemption Time Period**

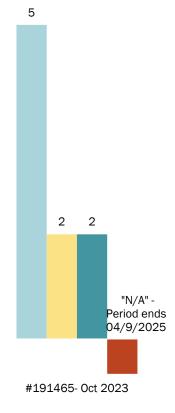


No response from Property Owner

- The property owner can redeem property within one year of sale
- Purchaser bears financial risk of additional violations and is still not the legal owner

#### Ordinance Sale Characteristics 2019 - 2023





- Number of Properties on Foreclosure Sale List
- Number of Properties Paid off before the Foreclosure Sale
- Number of times Properties included in a Foreclosure Sale
- Number of Property Redemptions



Ordinance Sale Characteristics

Property doesn't sell at first sale

There have been no redemptions in the past two years

#### Recommendation

#### Foreclosure Time Period - Current Status

- Engagement Period 6 months
- Treasurer Notification Period 2 months
- Redemption Period 1 year
- Total time almost 2 years

Shorten Foreclosure Time Period Amended Status

- Engagement Period 6 months
- Treasurer Notification Period 2 months
- Redemption Period 90 days
- Total time almost 1 year

## Thank you

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