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Committee: Plan Commission	Date: 1/13/2015
Common Council Item Number: ID#15-3926	Date: Click here to enter a date.
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Subject: Surplus Property - Determine if the 0.899 acre city-owned parcel of land and improvements located at 434 Madison Street (Historic William Blair House) are surplus.	

Details:
 In 1957 the property at 434 Madison Street, known as the William Blair House, was deeded to the City. The property was used by the City for several years, then was leased to various non-profit entities. In 2013 City Staff began the process of declaring the property surplus property. Per policy, each department was contacted to determine if they had any use for the property. No department needed the property so staff began the process of declaring it surplus. The item was on the May 8, 2013 Plan Commission agenda but was placed on hold by staff.

In 2014 the City sent out a request for proposals (RFP) for the property and began the process of selling the property. However the Waukesha Masonic Lodge filed a lawsuit claiming the City had violated the terms of the original deed of the property to the City. The City prevailed in the lawsuit and is now moving forward with the declaration of this as surplus property and eventual sale of the property.

Options & Alternatives:
 The City could retain the property.

Financial Remarks:
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Staff Recommendation:
 Staff recommends the Plan Commission determine the property at 434 Madison Street is surplus property.

