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PRESS RELEASE

Nine More Blighted Buildings Slated for Demolition in Schenectady

SCHENECTADY – Mayor Gary McCarthy announced that the City of Schenectady is seeking bids to demolish nine more blighted buildings. The demolition bids are due by 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2019. The costs are funded through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

“Our strong partnership with the Capital Region Land Bank and Metroplex has continued to produce outstanding results for our community,” **Mayor McCarthy** said. “Working as a team we have demolished over 200 blighted buildings and I look forward to continuing this progress throughout our neighborhoods.”

The nine buildings include four in the Hamilton Hill neighborhood, four in the Mont Pleasant neighborhood, and one in the Bellevue neighborhood:

- 873 Strong Street
- 511 Schenectady Street
- 869 Emmett Street
- 492 Hulett Street
- 1023 Bridge Street
- 821 Congress Street
- 930 Davis Terrace
- 934 Davis Terrace
- 2022 William Street

“We’re working with our community housing partners and neighboring property owners to determine productive end-uses for each of the properties in order to strategically and effectively align resources with the needs of the community,” said **Kristin Diotte, Director of Planning and Development**.

The four Hamilton Hill properties are part of the goals outlined in the City’s HUD-designated [Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area](#) (NRSA) and the four Mont Pleasant properties are consistent with the goals of City’s [Mont Pleasant Renewal Area](#) to address the objectives outlined in the City’s 2015-2019 Federal Consolidated Plan, noted Diotte.

“The removal of these blighted structures is part of our comprehensive and focused neighborhood revitalization efforts that will continue to improve quality of life in Schenectady,” said **Mayor McCarthy**. “All of these buildings have been carefully evaluated and are beyond salvage. They harm our community, attract crime, and threaten public safety.”

City contractors recently demolished 333 Georgetta Dix Plaza, 9 Backus Street, 410 Summit Avenue, and 1706 Carrie Street, and will soon demolish 955 Strong Street as well as 410 and 412 Schenectady Street.