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# AGENDA REPORT

**TO:** DEANNA J. SANTANA  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**FROM:** Fred Blackwell  
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**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Report For Pilot Removal  
Of City Liens for County Auction Program

**DATE:** September 19, 2012

City Administrator  
Approval

Date

9/20/12

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Citywide

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff is providing additional information that was requested at the September 13, 2012 meeting of the Rules and Legislation Committee, regarding the amount of code enforcement liens for prior payments to abatement contractors and vendors which might not be received from the proposed auction of distressed and vacant properties in Oakland.

## COST SUMMARY/ IMPLICATIONS

There are currently \$5.9 million in liens on the targeted properties. Of this amount, \$1.5 million stem from "hard cost" payments to code enforcement third-party vendors (clean-up contractors, demolition contractors, hazardous material contractors, title companies, etc.). These costs were incurred over a period of up to 15 years, and the City has already begun classifying these as costs which are unlikely to ever be recovered.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Ray Derania, Building Official, at 510/ 238-4780.

Respectfully submitted,

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