

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING 10/25/2021  
AGENDA ITEM NO.**

**SUBJECT: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accelerate Payment on a Promissory Note**

**Staff Contact:** Jeff Fiegenschuh, City Manager

**Summary:** The City of Rochelle previously purchased land from the Greater Rochelle Economic Development Corporation (GREDCO) and executed a Promissory Note (Exhibit 1, attached) to pay for the purchase. The City and GREDCO are collaborating on the development of a Container Yard as an extension of the Rochelle Transload Center. GREDCO has requested that the city deposit the remaining three payments of \$164,937.50 for a total of \$494,812.50 into an escrow account for the construction of the new Container Yard in lieu of making future payments on the Promissory Note. The accelerated payment will allow construction to begin this Fall and for the new intermodal service to begin early next year. This new Container Yard along with the improvements to the Rochelle Transload Center will add more rail services to the CIR which in turn will bring new revenues to the City of Rochelle Railroad.

**Strategic Plan Goal Application:** Financial Management & Stability and Infrastructure Effectiveness and Improvement.

**Recommendation:** It has been determined by the Corporate Authorities of the City of Rochelle that it is necessary, advisable and in the best interest of the City to authorize the City Manager to accelerate the three remaining annual payments due under the Promissory Note in the total amount of \$494,812.50 from the Rail Capital Projects Fund to satisfy this debt.

**Supporting Documents:**

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accelerate Payments on a Promissory Note  
Exhibit 1 Promissory Note