
**TULSA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: February 4, 2016
TO: Chairman and Board Members
FROM: Office of Tulsa Development Authority
SUBJECT: LEASE PROPOSAL SUITE A

Background:

Owner	Tulsa Development Authority
Tenant:	Arthur Thompson, Sr.
Real Estate Broker:	Kevin W. Anderson & Associates
Location:	1216 North Lansing, Suite A
Size of Space:	1,941 SF per TDA
Number of Spaces:	1
Development Area:	Lansing Business District
Fair Market Value:	Asking: \$1,132.25/Month Contract: \$900.00/Month
Executive Director:	O.C. Walker

Relevant Info: This is a request for TDA to enter into a Lease Agreement with Arthur Thompson, SR, one of the founders and program directors for Promises For Families Foundation, a non-profit organization that works with children who have a parent or parents in the prison system.

According to the attached letter, Mr. Thompson has also worked with the juvenile system at L.E. Rader and the adult correctional facilities Jess Dunn and Eddie Worrier in Taft doing his Drums Speak Program. Mr. Thompson needs the space to continue his work with children and adults. The space will be used to provide tutoring and to teach dance and drumming, as well as a rehearsal space for upcoming performances.

Mr. Thompson's facility will join to at least 3 other CBD music programs for children, including

- 1) Boston Avenue Church's Sistema Tulsa is a full tuition scholarship program that provides students with musical instruments, instruction and transportation at no cost to participants.
- 2) Sankofa Middle School For Creative and Performing Arts Inc.
- 3) Barthelmes Conservatory Program, where serious music students participate in a vigorous and elite training program, preparing them for their pursuit of a career in music.

Attachments: Mr. Thompson's Letter & Proposed Lease Agreement.

Recommendations: Staff recommends this item be approved as presented

Reviewed By: O.C. Walker