



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Regulatory Services

Date: August 13, 2008

To: Public Safety and Regulatory Services Committee, the Honorable Don Samuels, Chairperson

Referral to: No referral

Subject: Demolition of 3742 Fremont Ave North, as per recommendation from the Nuisance Condition Process Review Panel (249 Appeals Panel).

Recommendation:

To adopt findings of the Nuisance Condition Process Review Panel to uphold the Director's Order and demolish the property located at 3742 Fremont Ave North, Minneapolis, MN.

Previous Directives:

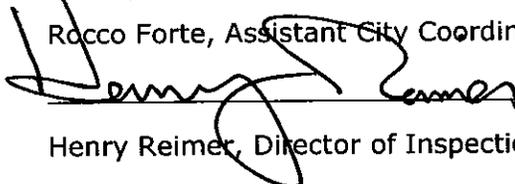
None.

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Approved by:



Rocco Forte, Assistant City Coordinator



Henry Reimer, Director of Inspections

Presenters in Committee

Lee Wolf, Attorney
Tom Deegan, Manager Problem Properties Unit

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

Action requires an appropriation increase to the ___ Capital Budget or ___ Operating Budget

Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

Action requires use of contingency or reserves

Action is within the Business Plan

Action requires a change to the Business Plan

Other financial impact

Request provided to the Finance Department when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood- No impact.

City Goals – Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a safe, healthy and livable city.

Comprehensive Plan – No impact.

Zoning Code – No impact.

Other

Background and Supporting Information

The house sustained a fire on November 26, 2007, that damaged the building; it was then condemned for being a boarded building on January 29, 2008.

The Nuisance Condition Process Review Panel heard the appeal of the director's order to demolish on June 12, 2008 and recommended that the order to demolish be upheld. The owner did not appear at the June 12 Panel hearing to provide testimony.

Notification summary

The Order to Raze and Remove the Building was sent by certified and regular mail to owner at three addresses:

1. A/Z Properties Management Inc – 2850 Aquila Avenue South, St. Louis Park, MN
2. A/Z Properties Management Inc. – PO Box 47621, Minneapolis, MN
3. Michael Yesnes – 3040 Independence Circle North, New Hope, MN 55427

Certified mail return cards were marked "return to sender" for the property address 2850 Aquila Ave; however staff was in contact with the owner on multiple occasions regarding this property.

Recommendation

Staff recommendation: Demolition

Nuisance Condition Process Review Panel recommendation: Demolition

Findings of Fact and Staff Presentations under separate cover.