



**Roll Call Number**

Agenda Item Number  
**BDH 1-D**

Date June 8, 2015

WHEREAS, the property located at 1552 E 36<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, Iowa, was inspected by representatives of the City of Des Moines who determined that the fire-damaged main structure in its present condition constitutes not only a menace to health and safety but is also a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the Titleholder, Herman Thompson, was notified via personal service more than thirty days ago to repair or demolish the fire-damaged main structure and as of this date has failed to abate the nuisance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA, AND SITTING AS THE LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH:

The fire-damaged main structure on the real estate legally described as Lot 44, GRAY'S WOODS, an Official Plat, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa and locally known as 1552 E 36<sup>th</sup> Street, has previously been declared a public nuisance;

The City Legal Department is hereby authorized to file an action in district court to obtain a decree ordering the abatement of the public nuisance, and should the owner fail to abate the nuisance, as ordered, that the matter may be referred to the Department of Engineering which will take all necessary action to demolish and remove said structures.

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Vicky Long Hill, Assistant City Attorney

**CERTIFICATE**

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
COLEMAN				
GATTO				
GRAY				
HENSLEY				
MAHAFFEY				
MOORE				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

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City Clerk



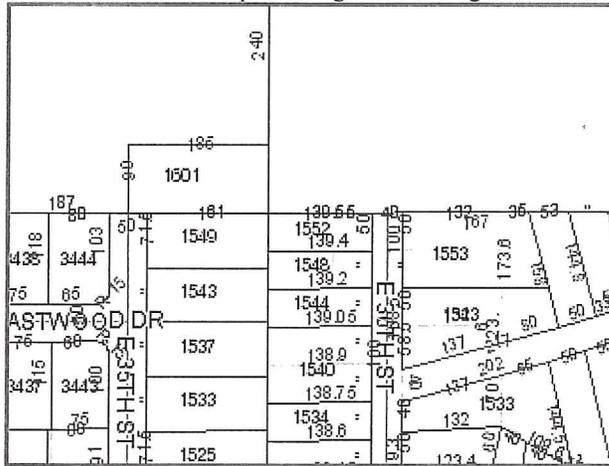
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District/Parcel	GeoParcel	Map	Nbhd	Jurisdiction	Status
060/05601-000-000	7923-32-426-001	1292	DM13/Z	DES MOINES	ACTIVE
School District	Tax Increment Finance District	Bond/Fire/Sewer/Cemetery			
1/Des Moines					
Street Address			City State Zipcode		
1552 E 36TH ST			DES MOINES IA 50317-6708		

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Approximate date of photo 09/19/2013

Mailing Address
HERMAN THOMPSON 1552 E 36TH ST DES MOINES, IA 50317-6708

Legal Description
LOT 44 GRAYS WOODS

Ownership	Name	Recorded	Book/Page	RevStamps
Title Holder #1	THOMPSON, HERMAN	2008-12-12	12851/940	

Assessment	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	AgBd	Total
Assmt Roll	Residential	Full	12,000	16,700	0	28,700
Current	Residential	Full	11,700	18,000	0	29,700

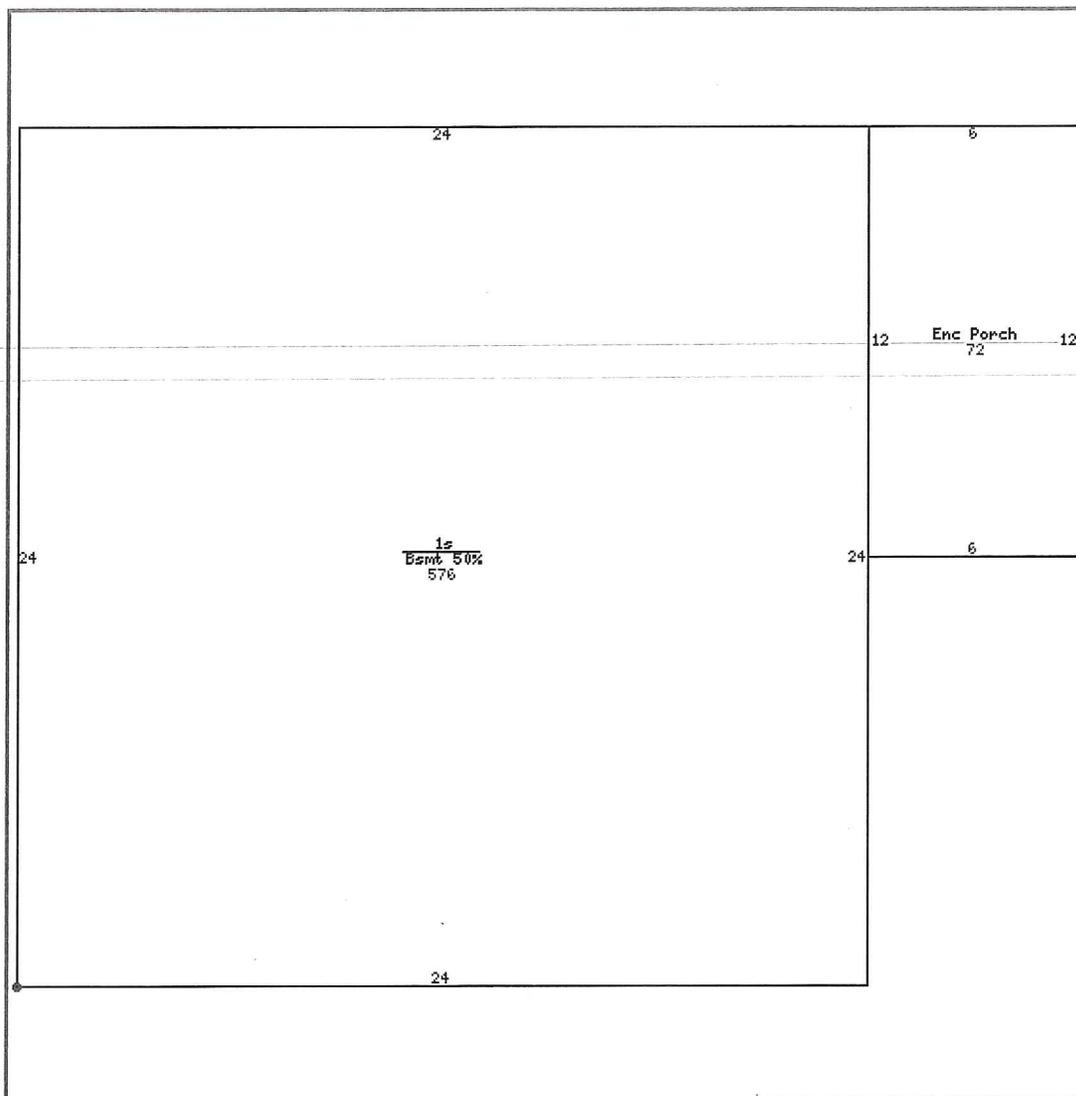
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Taxable Value Credit	Name	Number	Info
Homestead	THOMPSON, HERMAN	10346	

Zoning	Description	SF	Assessor Zoning
R1-60	One Family, Low Density Residential District		Residential
<b>Source:</b> City of Des Moines Community Development <b>Published:</b> 2012-03-20 <b>Contact:</b> Planning and Urban Design 515 283-4182			

<u>Land</u>					
<b>SQUARE FEET</b>	6,950	<b>FRONTAGE</b>	50.0	<b>DEPTH</b>	139.0
<b>ACRES</b>	0.160	<b>SHAPE</b>	RC/Rectangle	<b>TOPOGRAPHY</b>	N/Normal

<u>Residence # 1</u>					
<b>OCCUPANCY</b>	SF/Single Family	<b>RESID TYPE</b>	S1/1 Story	<b>BLDG STYLE</b>	BG/Bungalow
<b>YEAR BUILT</b>	1935	<b># FAMILIES</b>	1	<b>GRADE</b>	5
<b>GRADE ADJUST</b>	+00	<b>CONDITION</b>	PR/Poor	<b>TSFLA</b>	576
<b>MAIN LV AREA</b>	576	<b>BSMT AREA</b>	288	<b>ENCL PORCH</b>	72
<b>FOUNDATION</b>	B/Brick	<b>EXT WALL TYP</b>	WS/Wood Siding	<b>ROOF TYPE</b>	GB/Gable
<b>ROOF MATERL</b>	A/Asphalt Shingle	<b>HEATING</b>	A/Gas Forced Air	<b>AIR COND</b>	0
<b>BATHROOMS</b>	1	<b>BEDROOMS</b>	2	<b>ROOMS</b>	4



Seller	Buyer	Sale Date	Sale Price	Instrument	Book/Page
STRASSER, JOSEPH L	THOMPSON, HERMAN	1993-11-01	20,000	C/Contract	6971/660

Year	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	AgBd	Total
2013	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	11,700	18,000	0	29,700
2011	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	11,600	18,400	0	30,000
2009	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	12,500	20,800	0	33,300
2007	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	12,100	20,100	0	32,200
2005	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	9,800	18,400	0	28,200
2003	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	8,500	16,190	0	24,690
2001	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	9,020	14,640	0	23,660
1999	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	4,080	20,230	0	24,310

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1997	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	3,700	18,320	0	22,020
1995	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	3,210	15,880	0	19,090
1993	Board Action	Residential	Full	3,030	14,970	0	18,000
1993	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	3,030	18,970	0	22,000
1990	Board Action	Residential	Full	3,030	16,970	0	20,000
1990	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	3,030	21,170	0	24,200

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**PUBLIC NUISANCE  
NOTICE OF INSPECTION  
NEIGHBORHOOD INSPECTION DIVISION  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

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**DATE OF NOTICE:** March 13, 2015

**DATE OF INSPECTION:** March 06, 2015

**CASE NUMBER:** COD2015-01102

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 1552 E 36TH ST

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** LOT 44 GRAYS WOODS

HERMAN THOMPSON

Title Holder

1200 TITUS AVE

DES MOINES IA 50315

An inspection of the referenced property was conducted for its conformance to the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines. It has been determined from that inspection that the dwelling currently constitutes not only a menace to health and safety, but is also a public nuisance. Accordingly, the dwelling will be placarded as unfit for human habitation pursuant to the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines and the Code of Iowa.

If not occupied at the present time, the dwelling is to remain vacant and unoccupied until occupancy is authorized by this office. If the dwelling is occupied, it must be vacated immediately. If procedures to vacate the premises are not undertaken immediately upon receipt of this notice, and in no case later than seven (7) days, the City will issue a Municipal Infraction in accordance with Section 60-304 and 60-306 pursuant to the Municipal code of the City of Des Moines. Additionally, if the property had a Certificate of Inspection, it is hereby revoked.

Attached is a listing of the violations existing on the date of the inspection and a recommendation as to the remedial action required to correct such violations. The violations noted must be corrected within 30 days from data of notice. Failure to correct these violations will result in a request to the City Council, sitting as the Board of Health, to approve legal action. As a result of this public nuisance action there will be costs incurred by the City. Costs will be billed out when the nuisance has been abated. Failure to pay the costs will result in collection by assessment to the property or personal judgment.

**ALL ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, AND STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS IN NEED OF REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR, ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO MINIMUM CODE REQUIREMENTS WITH NECESSARY PERMITS AS REQUIRED TO MEET CITY CODES.**

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Appropriate building permits may be required for those violations noted in the "Special Requirements" section on the notice. Should you have questions regarding permits, contact the Permit and Development Center at (515) 283-4200. All work performed by a contractor or you must be completed in a workmanlike manner. If you plan to renovate the structure and it has been vacant for a period in excess of one year, there may be zoning issues, which will affect the proposed use of the structure and/or real estate. Please contact the Development Zoning Division at (515) 283-4207 to determine what the legal use for the structure and/or the real estate is prior to commencement of any renovation.

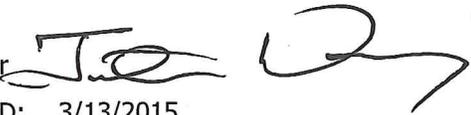
If you believe the building is beyond repair and decide to remove it, all debris must be removed from the property and the basement excavation if any, filled in the manner required by the City. You are encouraged to arrange for this demolition yourself; however a demolition permit must be obtained from the Building Department. In the event you are unable to arrange for demolition, you may sign a waiver voluntarily authorizing the City to do so. However, the City may take a personal judgment against you for the costs of removal.

If you no longer own the property, notify us in writing of the name, address, and telephone number of the new owner. A copy of the real estate contract or deed, if it has not been recorded at the County Recorder's Office, shall likewise be furnished to the Neighborhood Inspection Division.

Should you have any questions, feel free to call. I can usually be reached between 8:00am and 9:00am, Monday through Friday.

Justin S. Denning  
(515) 237-1484

Nid Inspector



DATE MAILED: 3/13/2015

MAILED BY: JDH

**Areas that need attention:** 1552 E 36TH ST

<p><b>Component:</b> Interior Walls /Ceiling  <b>Requirement:</b> Building Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Exterior Walls  <b>Requirement:</b> Building Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Electrical Service  <b>Requirement:</b> Electrical Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Water Heater  <b>Requirement:</b> Mechanical Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Floor Joists/Beams  <b>Requirement:</b> Building Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Plumbing System  <b>Requirement:</b> Plumbing Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Unknown    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Location of Gas fired Appliances  <b>Requirement:</b> Compliance with Int. Fuel Gas Code    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>
<p><b>Component:</b> Roof  <b>Requirement:</b> Building Permit    <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Defect:</b> Fire damaged    <b>Location:</b></p>

<b>Component:</b>	Window Glazing/Paint	<b>Defect:</b>	Fire damaged
<b>Requirement:</b>	Building Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>			
<b>Component:</b>	Flooring	<b>Defect:</b>	Fire damaged
<b>Requirement:</b>	Building Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>			
<b>Component:</b>	Floor Joists/Beams	<b>Defect:</b>	Insect Infestation
<b>Requirement:</b>	Building Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>	Termites.		
<b>Component:</b>	Mechanical System	<b>Defect:</b>	Unknown
<b>Requirement:</b>	Mechanical Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>			
<b>Component:</b>	Interior Walls /Ceiling	<b>Defect:</b>	Smoke Damage
<b>Requirement:</b>	Building Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>			
<b>Component:</b>	Exterior Walls	<b>Defect:</b>	In poor repair
<b>Requirement:</b>	Building Permit	<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Comments:</b>			

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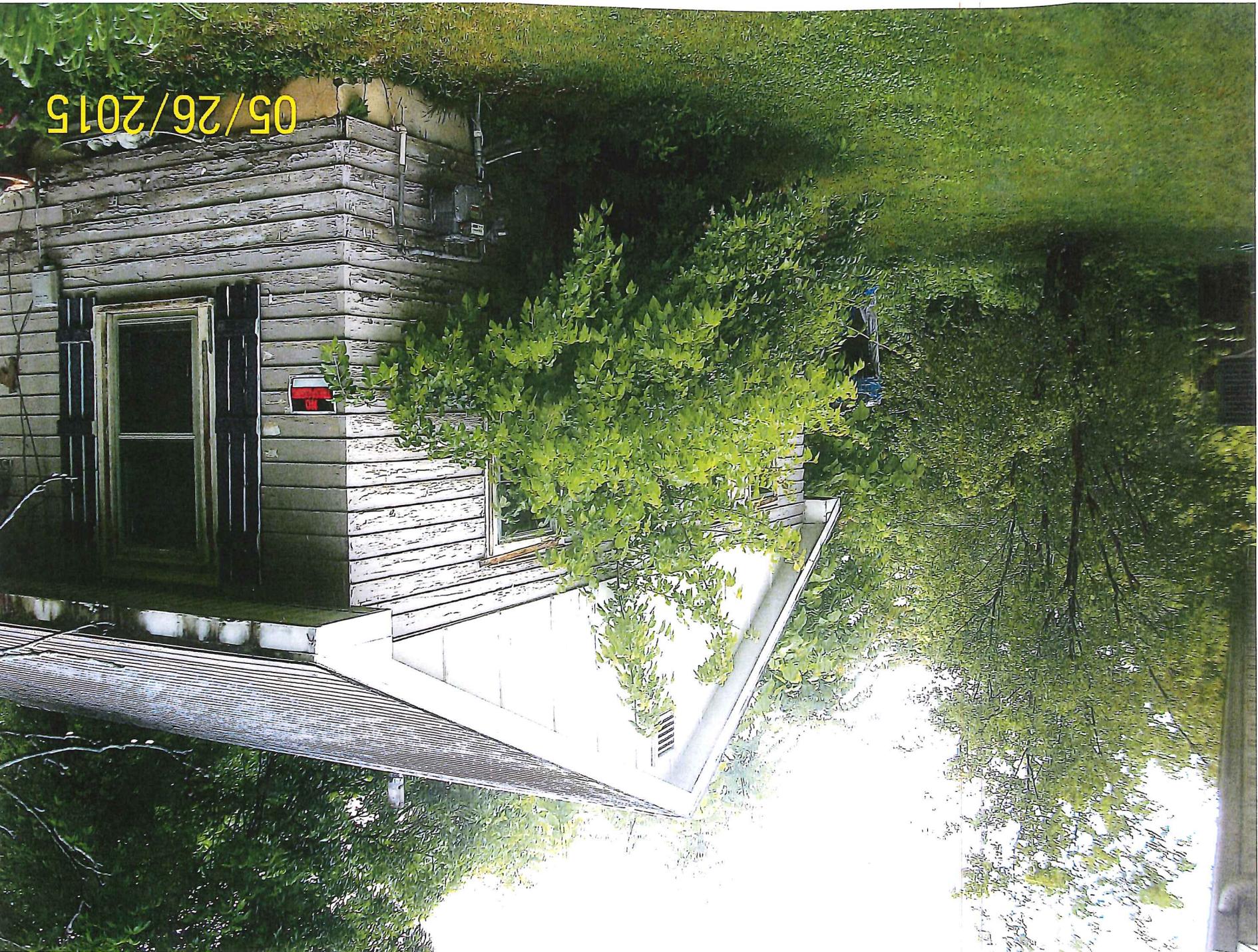


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