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Agenda Item Number

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Date March 18, 2024

ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE AT 913 E 23rd STREET

WHEREAS, the property located at 913 E 23rd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, was inspected by representatives of the City of Des Moines who determined that the main structure in its present condition constitutes not only a menace to health and safety but is also a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the Titleholders, All Known & Unknown Heirs of Virginia L. Walker, were notified more than thirty days ago to repair or demolish the main structure and as of this date have failed to abate the nuisance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

The main structure on the real estate legally described as The North 10 feet of Lot 49, all of Lot 50 and the South 5 feet of Lot 51 in Block 5 in YORKS CHOICE, an Official Plat, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, EXCEPT that part conveyed to the City of Des Moines filed September 12, 1984 and recorded in Book 5385 Page 638 in the Office of the Polk County Recorder and locally known as 913 E 23rd 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(s) 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 structure.

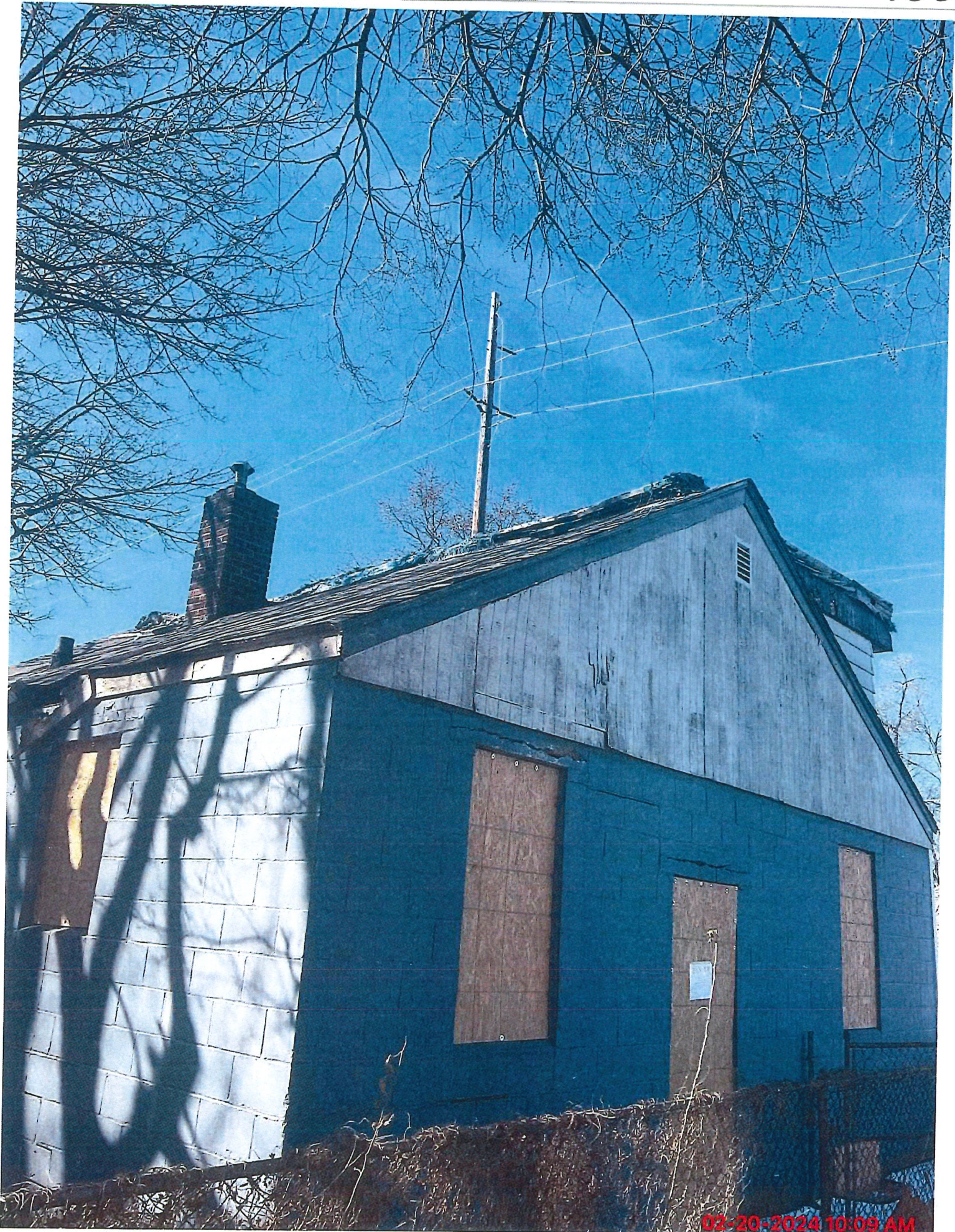
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Second by _____

FORM APPROVED:

Molly E. Tracy, Assistant City Attorney

Table with columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include BOESEN, VOSS, COLEMAN, WESTERGAARD, MANDELBAUM, GATTO, TOTAL, MOTION CARRIED, APPROVED, Mayor.

CERTIFICATE
I, Laura Baumgartner, 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.
City Clerk



03-20-2024 10:09 AM



02-13-2024 10:11 AM

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Polk County Assessor

111 Court Avenue #195
Des Moines, IA 50309-0904

(515) 286-3014 Fax (515) 286-3386
polkweb@assess.co.polk.ia.us

Location					
Address	913 E 23RD ST				
City	DES MOINES	Zip	50317	Jurisdiction	Des Moines
District/Parcel	050/03607-001-000	Geoparcels	7824-01-103-002	Status	<u>Active</u>
School	Des Moines	Nbhd/Pocket	DM16/Z	Tax Authority Group	DEM-C-DEM-77131
Submarket	Northeast Des Moines	Appraiser	Brett Tierney 515-286-3019		

Map and Current Photos - 1 Record

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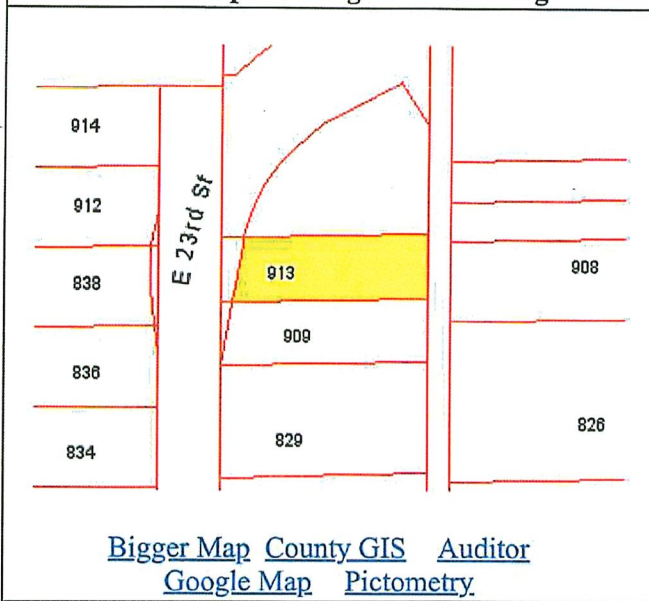


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[Historical Photos](#)

Ownership - 1 Record

Ownership	Num	Name	Recorded	Book/Page
Title Holder	1	WALKER, VIRGINIA L	1973-03-07	4357/483

Legal Description and Mailing Address

-EX BEG 10F S & 7F E OF NW COR LT 49 THN W 7F N 40F E 14F SW TO POB- N 10F LT 49 & ALL LT 50 & S 5F LT 51 BLK 5 YORKS CHOICE	VIRGINIA L WALKER 913 E 23RD ST DES MOINES, IA 50317-6515
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Current Values

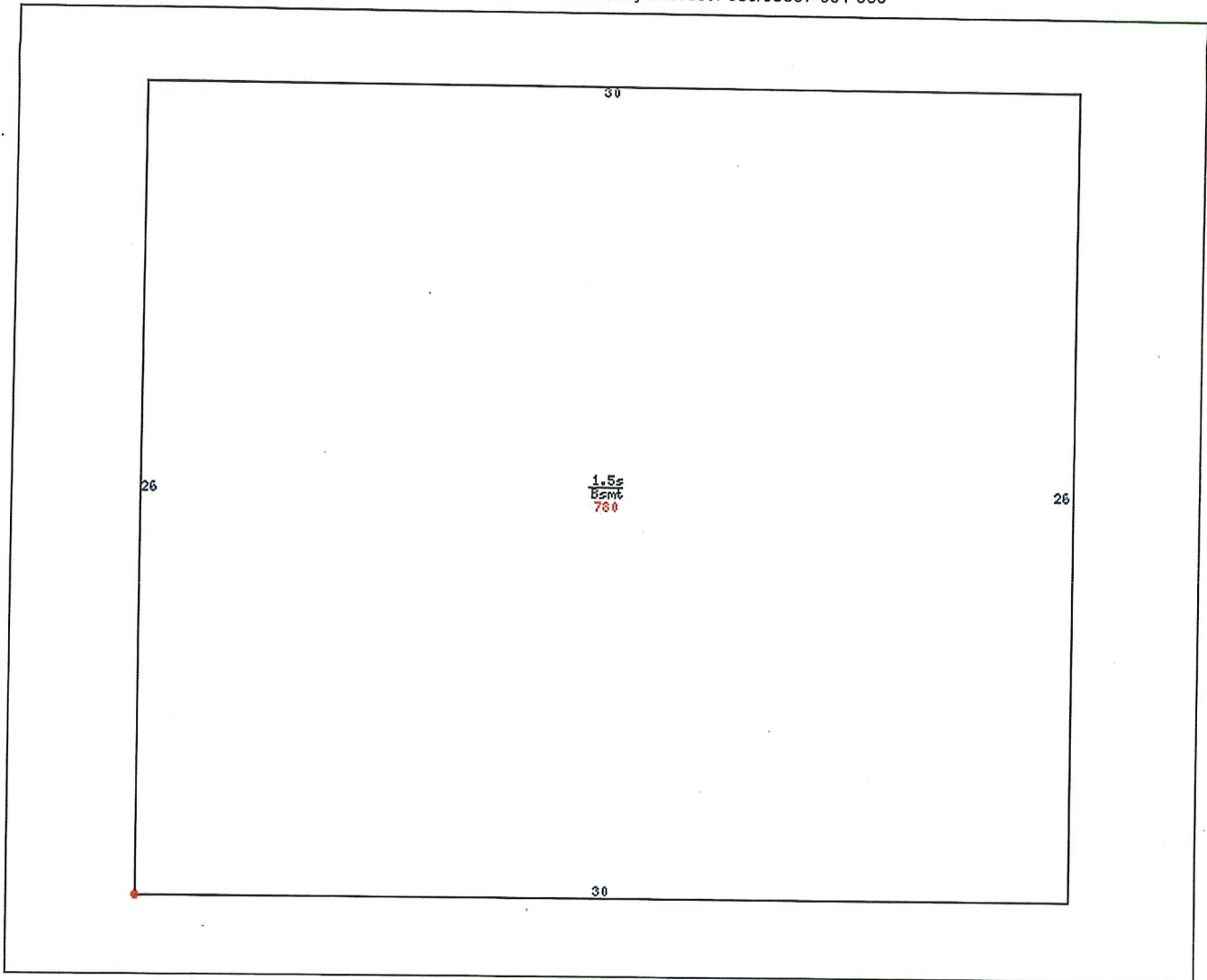
Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2023 Value	Residential	Full	\$16,400	\$115,400	\$131,800

[Assessment Roll Notice](#) [Market Adjusted Cost Report](#)

Auditor Adjustments to Value

Category	Name	Information
2023 Homestead Credit	WALKER, VIRGINIA L	Application #101609

Zoning - 1 Record					
Zoning	Description			SF	Assessor Zoning
N3C	N3c Neighborhood District				Residential
<i>City of Des Moines Community Development Planning and Urban Design 515 283-4182 (2012-03-20)</i>					
Land					
Square Feet	4,800	Acres	0.110	Frontage	40.0
Depth	120.0	Topography	Normal	Shape	Rectangle
Vacancy	No	Unbuildable	No		
Residences - 1 Record					
Residence #1					
Occupancy	Single Family	Residence Type	1.5 Stories	Building Style	Conventional
Year Built	1946	Number Families	1	Grade	4+00
Condition	Normal	Total Square Foot Living Area	1303	Main Living Area	780
Upper Living Area	523	Basement Area	780	Foundation	Concrete Block
Exterior Wall Type	Concrete Block or Tile	Roof Type	Flat	Roof Material	Asphalt Shingle
Heating	Gas Forced Air	Air Conditioning	0	Number Bathrooms	1
Number Toilet Rooms	1	Bedrooms	4	Rooms	6



Historical Values

Yr	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2023	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$16,400	\$115,400	\$131,800
2021	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$13,400	\$93,100	\$106,500
2019	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$11,800	\$82,200	\$94,000
2017	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$10,100	\$72,500	\$82,600
2015	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$9,400	\$68,900	\$78,300
2013	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$9,200	\$68,800	\$78,000
2011	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$10,500	\$79,200	\$89,700
2009	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$11,000	\$81,400	\$92,400
2007	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$10,900	\$80,500	\$91,400
2005	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$8,800	\$66,000	\$74,800
2003	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$7,810	\$59,010	\$66,820
2001	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$5,830	\$43,680	\$49,510
1999	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$5,410	\$42,750	\$48,160
1997	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$4,900	\$38,720	\$43,620
1995	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$4,270	\$33,710	\$37,980
1993	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$3,790	\$29,890	\$33,680
1990	Board Action	Residential	Full	\$3,790	\$25,810	\$29,600

Yr	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
1990	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$3,790	\$28,410	\$32,200

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City of Des Moines
 400 Robert D. Ray Drive
 Des Moines, IA 50309

Case Number: NUIS-2023-000296	
Notice of Violation	Case Type: Public Nuisance
	Case Opened: 12/04/2023
	Date of Notice: 12/14/2023
	Date of Inspection: 12/04/2023

ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF
 VIRGINIA L WALKER, DECEASED
 913 E 23RD ST
 DES MOINES IA 50317

Address of Property: **913 E 23RD ST, DES MOINES IA 50317**
 Parcel Number: **782401103002**

Legal Description: **-EX BEG 10F S & 7F E OF NW COR LT 49 THN W 7F N 40F E 14F SW TO POB- N 10F LT 49 & ALL LT 50 & S 5F LT 51 BLK 5 YORKS CHOICE**

Upon inspection of the property located at and locally known as the Address of Property shown above, located in Des Moines, Iowa, ("Property"), there was/were found to be violation(s) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa. It has been determined from that inspection that the dwelling currently constitutes a danger to health and safety to the public and is a public nuisance.

We are notifying you that you have the **time set out in this notice (below under "Compliance Due Date")** to abate the following violation(s) and complete the required remedial action.

VIOLATION(S)

Violation	Corrective Action	Compliance Due Date
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<p>60-191 - Vacation and Abatement Any structure, dwelling, mobile home, equipment, or premise declared to be a public nuisance and unfit for human habitation or use, and so designated by the administrator, shall immediately be vacated and the nuisance shall be abated by repair, rehabilitation, demolition, or any other City-approved corrective action. The owner(s) shall be responsible for the vacation and abatement of the nuisance at such owner's expense. If not complied by such owner(s), then the nuisance may be abated by the city at the owner's expense. As indicated by section 60-19, the owner of land upon which a mobile home sits is a responsible owner in the event that mobile home is declared to be a public nuisance. Both the owner of the mobile home and the owner of the land upon which the mobile home sits shall be responsible for vacation and abatement of the public nuisance.</p>	<p>Vacate the structure.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>
<p>60-192(7) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise Any structure that the administrator determines is unfit for human occupancy meaning that such structure is unsafe, unlawful or, because of the degree to which the structure is in disrepair or lacks maintenance, is unsanitary, vermin or rat infested, contains filth and contamination, or lacks ventilation, illumination, sanitary or heating facilities or other essential equipment required by this code, or because the location of the structure constitutes a hazard to the occupants of the structure or to the public.</p>	<p>Repair structure to a safe, sanitary condition. Provide all required elements of light, ventilation and essential equipment. All work must be done in a workmanlike manner with all required permits.</p> <p>Throughout damaged area. DMFD stated to dangerous to enter structure, more violations may be possible.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>
<p>60-192(17) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise Roof or roofing components that have defects that admit rain, roof surfaces with inadequate drainage, or any portion of the roof framing that is fatigued or without proper anchorage and incapable of supporting all nominal loads and resisting all load effects.</p>	<p>Repair or replace all deficient roof components to provide a sound, weathertight condition that provides positive drainage. All work must be done in a workmanlike manner with all required permits.</p> <p>Throughout damaged area.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>

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<p>60-192(24) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise Mechanical equipment, appliances, fireplaces, boilers, solid fuel-burning appliances, cooking appliances and water heating appliances shall be properly installed and maintained in a safe working condition and shall be capable of performing the intended function.</p>	<p>Provide an inspection report from a licensed mechanical contractor for all mechanical systems and appliances. Repair or replace all deficient elements and equipment. All work must be done in a workmanlike manner with all required permits.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>
<p>60-192(25) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise Where it is found that a plumbing system in a structure constitutes a hazard to the occupants or the structure by reason of inadequate service inadequate venting, cross connection, back siphonage, improper installation, deterioration or damage or for similar reasons, the code official shall require the defects to be corrected to eliminate the hazard.</p>	<p>Provide an inspection report from a licensed plumbing contractor for the entire plumbing system. Repair or replace all deficient elements and equipment. All work must be done in a workmanlike manner with all required permits.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>
<p>60-192(26) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise Where it is found that the electrical system in a structure constitutes a hazard to the occupants or the structure by reason of inadequate service, improper fusing, insufficient receptacle and lighting outlets, improper wiring or installation, deterioration, or damage, or for similar reasons, the code official shall require the defects to be corrected to eliminate the hazard.</p>	<p>Provide an inspection report from a licensed electrical contractor for all electrical systems and devices. Repair or replace all deficient elements and equipment. All work must be done in a workmanlike manner with all required permits.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>
<p>60-194 - Defacing and Removing Placard No person shall deface or remove the placard, except as authorized by the administrator.</p>	<p>Replace or restore defaced or removed placard.</p>	<p>01/23/2024</p>

If not occupied, the structure is to remain vacant and unoccupied until occupancy is authorized by this office.

If the structure 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 may seek a court order directing you to vacate the structure, pursuant to Section 60-191 and 60-192 of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

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. Should you have any 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 over a year, there may be zoning issues, which may affect the renovation plans. Please contact the Development Zoning Division at (515) 283-4207 to determine if there is anything you should be aware of.

If you decide to demolish the building or take the structure down, you will need a demolition permit.

If you cannot renovate or demolish the structure, contact me to discuss allowing the City to remove the structure. There will be costs billed out to you and possibly a judgment. It may be cheaper for you to remove the structure yourself.

If you no longer own this property, please let us know.

Unpaid costs may be collected by personal judgment, collection, or assessment to be collected as a property tax.

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

Thank you for your help,

Respectfully,



Scott Clauson
Neighborhood Inspector
Neighborhood Services
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(515) 669-8231
SAClauson@dmgov.org