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To: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Follow up on 1062 Front Ave

Hey Marcia,

I was reviewing the minutes from the December 13th 2016 legislative hearing on 1062 Front ave and everyone seemed to be in agreement to move to have it removed. On the phone you mentioned that the 5000 had been put up and the inspections scheduled, but after the deadline and the meeting minutes I am reading. If the house were put up for a vote tonight was the plan to continue with the removal or are the actions taken, even if after the deadline, enough to keep it repairable?

With postponing the vote 2 weeks the owner will have more time to get his act together and that might lead to you changing your decision to suggest removal. What are your expectations from the owner in order to grant him more time to fix the property? Will there be another legislative hearing meeting for him to attend or is January 4th still the city council day? Are the inspections scheduled and will I be able to view the results/the timeframe the work is expected to be completed in?

I have lived next to the property since 2009 and have seen essentially no movement by the owner to make any improvements. It is my belief that the only reason any motions towards improvement are being made at all is because I was pointed to the right channel to get the city to take action. He has had over a decade to deal with this and make the decision to do nothing. My concern is that this is going to drag out even longer. Immediately after the first legislative hearing we saw a few contractors appear on a few days, but since then there has been no action. There was no lock box last time I checked.

I will be attending January 4th and I will be making another case on the record for why I think this property should be removed and I am curious about what your recommendation will be, since I suspect nothing will change unless you are onboard with the removal. I know this is complicated legally and understand giving the homeowner the benefit of the doubt, but I think that has been given since 2005.

Thank you,

Andy