

227 Fuller Avenue

I'm writing to request the condemnation order be reversed.

A boarded property is a safety issue and adds blight and can lead people dumping garbage, attracts the unhoused people present in the area often with their signs and who are sleeping in alleys and on the front porch at this property sometimes. Now even more people can see when the house is boarded it as a place for shelter.

The utilities were not all shut off and the house is being actively marketed for sale with multiple people interested including two sets of neighbors.

This house was listed as a coming soon property on 2/5/2025 and was live on MLS on 2/26/26 prior to this happening.

My clothes, kids' toys and clothes and our beds and furniture were getting moved by guys helping me when the city staff came to the property. He said a neighbor said the door was wide open.

That may have been the same neighbor who wants to purchase the property but wants to purchase it for a lower price, but I don't know who called. I said to the city staff that the door likely was open during multiple days of moving items. We have not had any squatter issues recently that any of us have seen just the blankets and items there on the porch but the boards can attract more issues and pose a safety hazard.

Someone with the city requested I contact him by 2 pm the following day regarding boarding and I told him the guy who bought the boards was bringing them to the property to put them on. By the time he got there the city boarded many of the windows and the doors.

Writing to request the boards be removed or permission to remove the boards. That will be much easier for showings and prevent the unsightly issues for the neighborhood and prevent garbage from being dumped and attracting unhoused persons like often happens at properties when boarded. Some of my items are still there that weren't able to be moved while working on resolving this when the city required the boarding even though they had the trailer for moving items and me and my family are not sleeping there and have taken our beds out.

There have been occasional issues with squatters but the boards can attract that plus the boards are a safety hazard and issues with garbage can increase with this like this. Plus the house is for sale with people interested and has beautiful woodwork, an ornate fireplace, a new kitchen and countertops, and it has been painted so prefer to take the boards off this week please and continue to sell the house where showings can happen easily.

Elizabeth Sibet
227 Fuller Avenue
St Paul, MN