MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE HEARING
ORDERS TO REMOVE/REPAIR, CONDEMNATIONS,
ABATEMENT ASSESSMENTS AND ABATEMENT ORDERS
Tuesday, August 24, 2010
Room 330 City Hall, 15 Kellogg Blvd. West
Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer

The hearing was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Magner, Department of Safety and Inspection (DSI) – Vacant Buildings; Amy Spong, PED – HPC; and Mai Vang, City Council Offices

EXCERPT PERTAINING TO: **Ordering the owner to remove or repair the building(s) at <u>694-696 Fourth Street East</u> within fifteen (15) days from adoption of resolution. (Continued from August 10)**

The property owner of record, K3 Investments, did not appear. No other parties of interest appeared.

Ms. Moermond asked Mr. Magner for input on this property.

Mr. Magner responded that Ms. Vang sent a letter to the owner of record, with no response. No one was present at the property as well. Issue will be considered at September 1, 2010 City Council meeting.

Ms. Moermond asked if this property has been forfeited.

Ms. Vang reported that delinquent taxes, in the amount of $10,671.50 from 2008 and 2009, were due August 23, 2010. There are no 2010 taxes included in the amount.

Ms. Moermond asked if the delinquent tax amount included penalties and interest. Ms. Moermond called for a short break to see if the taxes had been paid before making her recommendation.

Following the break, Ms. Vang reported that she spoke to Rose at Ramsey County Tax records stated that if the postmark is from August 23, 2010 or earlier, they will honor the payment as timely. As of today, the delinquent taxes had not been paid. Rose will call if payment is received.

Ms. Moermond recommended the Council layover the matter for four weeks until September 28, 2010 Legislative Hearing and October 20, 2010 City Council Public Hearing to get better information, and she suggested getting Kris Kujala (Ramsey County Tax Forfeited Lands) involved, as the new property manager, to determine what the state would want to do with the property.