

MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE HEARING
ORDERS TO REMOVE/REPAIR, CONDEMNATIONS,
ABATEMENT ASSESSMENTS AND ABATEMENT ORDERS

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

Room 330 City Hall, 15 Kellogg Blvd. West
Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer

The hearing was called or order at 10:05 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Magner, Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), -- Vacant Buildings; Paula Seeley, Inspector, DSI; Christine Boulware, Planning and Economic Development (PED), Historic Preservation Commission (HPC); Matt Dornfeld, DSI –Vacant Buildings; Mike Urmann, DSI Fire Inspection

1. Ordering the owner to remove or repair the building(s) at 1173 Bradley Street within fifteen (15) days from adoption of resolution. **(CPH 11/3)**

No one appeared.

Mr. Magner stated that this is a 2-story wood frame single-family dwelling on a lot of 6,534 square feet. According to the file, it has been vacant since November 7, 2007. The current property owner is listed as Arthur M. Morrison, per Ramsey County. The City had to board the building and secure against trespassing. There have been twelve (12) Abatement Notices since 2007; there's been seventeen (17) Work Orders for boarding/securing, removal of tall grass and weeds, improperly stored refuse, garbage and misc; and removal of snow and ice. On May 26, 2010, an inspection of the building was conducted with a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance. Conditions were developed; photographs were taken. An Order to Abate a Nuisance Building was posted on July 23, 2010 with a compliance date of September 3, 2010. As of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance legislative code. The Vacant Building Registration fees were paid through assessment. Real Estate estimates a market value of \$17,800 on the land and \$47,100 on the building. A Code Compliance Inspection has not been completed; a bond has not been posted. 2010 taxes are delinquent in the amount of \$2082.08 plus penalty and interest. Code Enforcement estimates repairs to the structure starting at \$50,000 with demolition starting between \$8,000 and \$10,000. Code Enforcement recommends removal of the building with fifteen (15) days.

Ms. Boulware, HPC, stated that staff would allow for demolition.

Ms. Moermond recommends removing the building within fifteen (15) days with no option for repair.