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Minutes - Final

Legislative Hearings

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Tuesday, March 13, 2018

9:00 AM

Room 330 City Hall & Court House

6 SR 18-27

Reconsidering enforcement of Council File No. RLH RR 17-46, an Order to Raze or Remove the structures at 1060 AVON STREET.

Sponsors: Brendmoen

A resolution will go to City Council on March 28 to deny the request for reconsideration of enforcement of Council File No. RR 17-46.

Donald J. Klemmer, owner, appeared.

Ms. Moermond: we have the results of the code compliance inspection

Mr. Klemmer: I mentioned that I have couple of interested parties; Bill is on

Ms. Moermond: Bill said he's out; I talked to him on the phone about this, specifically

Mr. Klemmer: I didn't know that you were taking care of my business for me

Ms. Moermond: Actually, it's taking care of my business because I need to know what the real deal is on this

Mr. Klemmer: the last time I talked with him, he was still interested; there are other realty companies that are potentially interested; I don't have anything in writing; they send me notices everyday

Ms. Moermond: today, we are looking at a request to consider staying enforcement of an Order to Remove this Property within 15 days, & it's our job to give a recommendation to the City Council, which they may/may not accept; Mr. Magner, what did you learn?

Steve Magner, Code Enforcement Manager: 1) it doesn't appear that the house has been cleaned out; the electrical inspector indicated that he could not inspect the structure due to the extreme clutter on the first floor or the basement; 2) the other inspectors noted a number of deficiencies; 3) plumbing inspection hadn't been completed, many of the plumbing fixtures, the water meter, etc. were not accessible -so, this would be only a partial list that need to be completed to bring the bldg into compliance

-does Mr. Klemmer have bids or plans for rehabilitation?

Mr. Klemmer: "extreme clutter" I don't understand; I have things that are packed in boxes that needed to be moved out of the way

Ms. Moermond: I have photographs of everything - piled high in the living room to a motorcycle in the basement; the inspectors are saying that they don't have access to what they need to see to do their inspection

Mr. Klemmer: I do there everyday & I can touch & access every wall in the place; I packed up everything I own in boxes & my bike is in the basement.....
-everything was put into boxes & stacked to one side of the room on one wall
-I'm packed & ready to leave; if you're going to tear my house down - that's not what I want; I'm asking for help everytime I come here

Ms. Moermond: it's not helping yourself by sitting in the reception area when you should be in the public hearing; you're showing up late here.... you need to set your watch to bar time, evidently, because you can't seem to show up on time to anything; and it's been to your own detriment because you've been missing key discussions that might have had an impact on the decisions around your property

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