

## Mai Vang

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To Whom it May Concern,

I live at 114 N Saratoga St. The back of my house faces the backyard of 1510 Laurel, the building scheduled for demolition.

I understand there is a meeting regarding this property and as a neighbor and homeowner I have some opinions on this.

1510 Laurel is a mess. It attracts crime to our neighborhood, it is filled with rodents, and it smells. We have had people break in, and porch pirates use the backyard for a place to open the stolen mail and packages. People have broken into the house and the garage. There are several cats living there as well as numerous squirrels. Police came once when people were seen running from the inside of the house and couldn't even open the back door because there is so much junk on the floor. When they tried to open the door squirrels ran out. I've seen squirrels sitting in the windows looking out.

I am concerned with crime, smell, rodents, and the risk of fire.

The owner has had plenty of opportunity to sell and/or repair. She has not done anything there in years.

Please continue with plans of demolition and help keep our neighborhood safe.

Thanks

Joele Hiers