Mai Vang

From: James Hoffman
Sent: Monday, June 9, 2025 6:14 AM
To: Mai Vang
Cc: Joanna Zimny
Subject: FW: Support for demolition of the structures at 1510 Laurel Ave, Saint Paul

fyi

SAINT PAUL
MINNESOTA

James Hoffman
DSI INSPECTOR III
Department of Safety and Inspections
(651)266-1947
375 Jackson St.
Saint Paul, MN 55101
James.hoffman@ci.stpaul.mn.us
www.StPaul.gov

From: Alice K-S <aliceks8392@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 8, 2025 8:32 PM
To: James Hoffman <james.hoffman@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Support for demolition of the structures at 1510 Laurel Ave, Saint Paul

You don't often get email from aliceks8392@gmail.com. Learn why this is important

Think Before You Click: This email originated **outside** our organization.

Hi James,

My family and I live at 1514 Laurel, next door to the vacant house and garage at 1510. We are in support of the plan to demolish it. **We believe the space at this address is better and safer as an empty lot, and we hope the committee and city proceed with the plans to bring it down.**

The owner has not done anything meaningful with the property in more than five years (far longer than it has been declared vacant), and shows no signs of being able to meet the requirements necessary to rehab the property. I believe the structures will only continue to deteriorate further, detracting from the value of our property and punishing all the neighbors and our first responder resources by attracting criminality.

The house is very rundown and has attracted unwanted attention. During the time it has been empty (since 2020) there have been several break-ins that have endangered us and our small child. The police have been called to the address many times. There was a break-in through the back door, and the owner asked the police to go in and inspect. The police refused to enter because so much trash was piled up. The porch is also completely full of junk.

The yard is frequently overgrown and neglected, and I've photographed squirrels inside the house. Shingles are falling regularly from the roof. There are holes in the garage roof and in the walls.

Thank you for sharing this with the committee. Feel free to contact me directly with anything you would like to discuss.

Best,
Alice Kaiser-Schatzlein
1514 Laurel Ave
Saint Paul, MN
651.283.8392