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Re: Remove or Repair of the Structure at 692 SIXTH STREET EAST

Dear Interested Parties:

This is to confirm that at the Legislative Hearing on June 10, 2025, Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond current recommendation remains: that the City Council **order the building removed within 5 days with no option to repair.**

If you would like the Council to consider changing this recommendation, the following items need to be completed before you would receive a grant of time from the City Council to rehabilitate the property:

- 1. If you are intending to have a third party rehabilitate the property, pending transfer of title, the contract used for this transaction will need to be approved by the Legislative Hearing Officer. Please note that title cannot transfer until the rehabilitation is complete and nuisance abated;
- 2. \$5,000 Performance Deposit posted with the Department of Safety & Inspections;
- 3. apply for a Code Compliance inspection with the Department of Safety & Inspections;
- **4. submit evidence of financing sufficient to complete the rehabilitation.** Staff estimates costs to exceed \$150,000. If total for bids are more than 20% less than staff estimate, a high level of detail will be required. Financing could be business or personal accounts, a line of credit, or construction loan. Other types of financing will be reviewed on a case by case basis;
- 5. all delinquent real estate taxes must be brought current;
- 6. submit an affidavit indicating the finances will be dedicated to completing the project and not diverted until a code compliance certificate is issued;
- 7. **submit work plan, sworn construction statement, or scope of work.** This should include **signed** subcontractor bids which address all items in the Code Compliance Inspection Report and a **schedule** for completion of the project; and
- 8. the property must be maintained.



The performance deposit and Code Compliance Inspection forms can be found online here: https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/safety-inspections/vacant-buildings. Please contact the Department of Safety and Inspections directly at 651-266-8989 for questions regarding the application or payment process. Make sure a lock box combination is included with your Code Compliance Inspection Report application.

This matter will go before the City Council at Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 3:30 pm. in room 300 City Hall. If you are contesting Ms. Moermond's recommendation you may:

- 1. appear in person (please arrive before 3:30 p.m. and check in with staff outside Council chambers when you arrive); or
- 2. Should you wish testify to Council directly by phone, you must register to do so online by no later than noon on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 here: https://www.stpaul.gov/department/city-council/city-council-public-hearing-live-testimony.

If you don't wish to contest then <u>no further action is needed</u> and the Council will proceed with Ms. Moermond's recommendation above without discussion. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 651-266-8585.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joanna Zimny Legislative Hearing Executive Assistant

c: Rehabilitation & Removal staff
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