

Councilmember _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #20-155

A RESOLUTION APPROVING HIRING A CONTRACTING TO COMPLETE SIDING, WINDOWS, AND STRUCTURES IN VIOLATION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AT 14760 BOWERS DRIVE NW

WHEREAS, Sandra Dickson, hereby referred to as the “homeowner,” has an open code enforcement case for multiple violations at the property generally known as 14760 Bowers Dr NW and legally described as follows:

THAT PRT OF GOV LOT 1 SEC 30 TWP 32 RGE 25 DESC AS FOL: COM AT NE COR OF LOT 5 BOWERS MISSISSIPPI ACRES TH N 0 DEG 00 MIN 00 SEC E ASD BRG ALG W LINE OF BOWERS DR NW 155.3 FT, TH N 65 DEG 14 MIN W 165.55 FT, TH N 78 DEG 04 MIN W TO ELY SHORE LINE OF MISSISSIPPI RIVER, TH SLY ALG SD SHORE LINE TO NW COR OF SD LOT 5 TH ELY ALG N LINE OF SD LOT TO POB, EX THAT PRT OF SD GOV LOT 1 COM AT NE COR OF SD LOT 5, TH ON ASSD BRG N 0 DEG 00 MIN 00 SEC E 3.5 FT, TH N 65 DEG 14 MIN W 9.7 FT, TH S 49 DEG 20 MIN 46 SEC E 11.61 FT TO POB, EX RD SUBJ TO EASE OF REC, Anoka County, Minnesota

(the “Subject Property”) (PID: 30-32-25-11-0010)

WHEREAS, the violations on the Subject Property include the following:

- a. Violations of City Code Chapter 105, Rule 1309 and the International Property Maintenance Code
- b. Violations of City Code Chapter 30, Public Nuisances

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2018, Staff performed an inspection of the Subject Property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ramsey sent notices on November 8, 2018, November 29, 2018, and January 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution 19-051 on February 12, 2019 allowing an extension for cleanup through May 31, 2019 due to extreme winter weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, there have been at least 41 code enforcement cases on the Subject Property since 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City reinspected the property on June 13, 2019 and found there had been cleanup onsite but there were still unresolved violations onsite; and

WHEREAS, the City sent a notice of violation and an abatement notice on June 14, 2019 with an abatement for a few specific items the week of July 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the homeowner has stated they are working with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for a loan to complete work on the outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, another complaint was received about the property on May 5, 2020 regarding incomplete siding of the home; and

WHEREAS, a first notice of violation for incomplete siding was sent on May 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a second notice of violation for incomplete siding was sent on May 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, an inspection was conducted on June 11, 2020 with the Senior Planner, Deputy City Administrator, and Building Official which showed various public nuisance items that remained on the property, as well as many areas of inadequate siding on the principal structure; and

WHEREAS, a third notice of violation and abatement notice for public nuisance items and incomplete siding was sent with an administrative citation of \$250 on June 16, 2020;

WHEREAS, an abatement for junk items was scheduled for July 14, 2020 and rescheduled for July 16, 2020 due to inclement weather, and when Staff arrived on July 16, 2020 exterior junk was removed but the gazebo remained full of items and garbage and the exterior of the home was still not in compliance with Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:

- 1) That the Ramsey City Council approves the following related to the code enforcement case:
 - a. That the City of Ramsey hereby approves the hiring of a contractor to complete the siding of the principal structure, windows on the principal structure, and ensuring the house is in compliance with the property maintenance code, and the abatement items noted in the June 11, 2020 notice of violation/abatement for the week of August 1, 2020 or as available by Contractor.
 - b. That the City of Ramsey hereby approves the hiring of a contractor to empty the gazebo in the front yard, remove any tarping or unapproved siding that has been utilized as siding for the gazebo, and to fully inspect the gazebo for structural integrity. If the gazebo is found to be a dangerous structure, the contractor is hereby authorized to remove the gazebo in its entirety.

- c. That the City Staff will reach out to at least three (3) reputable contractors to complete the work and will choose the lowest responsible bid, and the cost of the work plus a 50% administrative charge will be assessed to the property taxes for repayment.
- d. That the will issue administrative citations for each subsequent violation and notice within 12 months of this date will include an administrative citation, starting at \$250 and escalating to \$500 per fine.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this 28 day of July, 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk