## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

FROM: Sumedh Bahl, Community Services Area Administrator

DATE: April 17, 2015

SUBJECT: Status of Dangerous Buildings and Associated Fund

In February 2012, City Council allocated \$250K for the abatement of dangerous buildings. Since that time city staff has addressed a number of structures considered to be dangerous in accordance with chapter 101 of the City Code.

I would like to share the process City is currently following to address a structure (building) that is identified as dangerous which is as follows:

When city staff becomes aware of a dilapidated building, it visits the property to assess the situation. If staff determines that the building needs attention, contact is made with the property owner or other parties with interest in the property to address the identified situation. This could be structure in disrepair, unsecured and posing a danger in the neighborhood. City staff tries to work with the property owners to resolve the situation. In case, the property owner is unresponsive to city staff, then city staff begins the proceedings by issuing a Dangerous Building Notice and Order to provide a plan to address the situation. Normally a property owner is given about two weeks to respond. If the property owner is non-responsive to Notice and Order or property owner's plan is unacceptable, the property is presented to The Building Board of Appeals (BBA). The BBA can order the building be demolished or repaired and made safe. BBA's decision can be appealed by the property owner or the City within a week to the City Council or within 20 days in the Circuit Court.

Following table summarizes the status of buildings which have been identified dangerous since February 2012:

Property	Status	Presented to
		BBA
175 N Maple Rd	Demolished by owner	Yes
704 N Main-724 N Main (6 structures)	Demolished by City	Yes
3010 Dexter Rd	Demolished by owner	Yes
Garage at 2415 Dorchester	Demolished by City	Yes
1480 South Blvd	Demolished by HUD	Did not need
		to present to
		BBA
3123 Cherry Tree Lane	Demolished by City	Yes
836 Brookwood Place	Owner completed identified repairs	Yes

800 N. Main	Demolition by City was obstructed by the	Yes
	property owner. This has been referred to City Attorney's office.	
Garage at 111 W Summit	Garage demolished by property owner	Did not need
Garage at 111 W Jannine	after Building official contacted them.	to present to
		BBA
410 Miller	Staff is reviewing options.	Yes
1620 Waltham	This property was taken to BBA last year	Yes
	and proceedings were closed since the	
	structure was secured and outside	
	maintained as it was in foreclosure. It is	
	owned by a bank now. Recently we were	
	notified that the roof is leaking. A letter	
	is being sent to schedule an interior inspection of the structure. Staff will take	
	action after inspection is done.	
2365 Pinecrest	Owner demolished the building	Yes
3680 Platt Rd	Owner demolished the building but left	Yes
3000 Flatt Na	the garage. City is proceeding with	103
	demolition of garage.	
2893 Parkwood	Owner has substantially completed	Yes
	identified repairs	
143 Hill	Owner completed identified repairs	Yes
3300 Nordman	Owner removed incomplete foundation	No
	and a new house is being built at this	
	location.	
3045 Springbrook	City is proceeding with demolition of the	BBA
	structure.	
2460 Yost	Dangerous Building Notice and Order	Will be
	sent. Property owner or other parties of	presented if need be.
	interest in property to contact Building Official by April 23, 2015 to provide a	need be.
	plan to address the situation and	
	schedule an interior inspection of the	
	structure by city staff. Staff will take	
	appropriate action after this inspection is	
	done.	
411 W Mosley	Dangerous Building Notice and Order	Will be
·	sent. Property owner or other parties of	presented if
	interest in property to contact Building	need be.
	Official by April 23, 2015 to provide a	
	plan to address the situation and	
	schedule an interior inspection of the	
	structure by city staff. Staff will take	
	appropriate action after this inspection is	
E14 C First	done.	Will bo
514 S First	Dangerous Building Notice and Order	Will be

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	sent. Property owner or other parties of	presented if
	interest in property to contact Building	need be.
	Official by April 23, 2015 to provide a	
	plan to address the situation and	
	schedule an interior inspection of the	
	structure by city staff. Staff will take	
	appropriate action after this inspection is	
	done.	
318 Mulholland	Dangerous Building Notice and Order	Will be
	sent. Property owner or other parties of	presented if
	interest in property to contact Building	need be.
	Official by April 23, 2015 to provide a	
	plan to address the situation and	
	schedule an interior inspection of the	
	structure by city staff. Staff will take	
	appropriate action after this inspection is	
	done.	

As you may notice that there are a number of properties for which property owner has either addressed or is in the process of addressing the situation.

## Status of fund

This fund has a balance of \$204,000.