REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

6-29-09 Date: 12.e Item No.:

Department Approval

City Manager Approval

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Item Description: **Community Development Department Request to Perform a City**

Abatement for Unresolved Violation of City Code at 190-192 Transit

Avenue West.

BACKGROUND

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The subject property is a rental duplex home.

- The current owner is listed as Mr. Dan Bucholz, 13 Dogwood Lane, North Oaks, Minnesota, 55127-2168.
- Notice was sent in November 2008, requesting the violations be corrected by June 1, 2009.
- Current violations include:

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- Deteriorated and rotted siding, peeling paint, deteriorating shingles, and grass over 8" (a violation of City Code Section 906.05.C).
- A status update, including pictures, will be provided at the public hearing.

POLICY OBJECTIVE 11

- The City goals within the Comprehensive Plan are to protect and improve property values (Goal 3, 4, 12
- and 5; page 6 and, Section 3) and to adhere to performance standards which protect the integrity of the 13
 - housing units and the neighborhood (Policy 6, page 8, Section 3).

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

City Abatement:

An abatement would encompass the following:

- Siding, trim and shingle repairs, and painting entire structure:
 - Approximately \$15,000.00
- Total: Approximately \$15,000.00.
- In the short term, costs of the abatement will be paid out of the HRA budget, which has allocated 21
- \$100,000 for abatement activities. The property owner will then be billed for actual and administrative 22
- costs. If charges are not paid, staff is to recover costs as specified in Section 407.07B. Costs will be 23
- reported to Council following the abatement. 24

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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Staff recommends that the Council direct Community Development staff to abate the above referenced public nuisance violations at 190-192 Transit Avenue West.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Direct Community Development staff to abate the above referenced public nuisance violation at 190-192 Transit Avenue West by hiring a general contractor to repair and replace portions of siding trim and shingles, and, repaint the structure. The property owner will then be billed for actual and administrative costs. If charges are not paid, staff is to recover costs as specified in Section 407.07B.

33 Costs will be reported to Council following the abatement.

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Attachments: A: Map of 190-192 Transit Avenue W

