



**AGENDA**  
**Committee on Public Safety**  
**Wednesday, August 29, 2018 @ 3:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Conference Room, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Council Member Carol Wood, Chair  
Council Member Adam Hussain, Vice Chair  
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Member

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Minutes**
  - August 8, 2018
- 4. Public Comment on Agenda Items**
- 5. Discussion:**
  - A. **ACTION** – Discharge Re-Appointments Referred 8/13/2018 to Committee of the Whole
  - B. **RESOLUTION** - Make Safe or Demolish; 500 Lesher Place
  - C. **ORDINANCE** - Amendments to Chapter 1060; Broaden & Clarify Enforcement of Trash and Recycling Bins
  - D. Sign Enforcement Update
  - E. Policy Update – Trash & Recycling Bin Enforcement
  - F. Inspection Update – Logan Square
  - G. Enforcement Update –Pleasant Grove Holmes Shopping Center
  - H. DISCUSSION – Gun Safety Task Force
  - I. FY2019/2020 Budget Policies and Priorities
- 6. Other**
- 7. Adjourn**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Member Carol Wood, Chair  
Council Member Adam Hussain, Vice Chair- excused  
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff  
Joseph Abood, Chief Deputy City Attorney  
Rachelle White  
Marshaun Blake, LPD Fire Marshall  
Chief Yankowski  
Amanda O'Boyle, Assistant City Attorney  
Lisa Hagen, Assistant City Attorney  
Joseph Abood, Chief Deputy City Attorney  
Brian McGrain, Economic Development & Planning  
Steve Swan, Building Official  
Scott Sanford, Code Compliance  
Andy Kilpatrick, Director of Public Service  
Officer Eric Pratl, LPD  
Elaine Womboldt  
Greg Venker, Assistant City Attorney  
Harold Leeman  
Joy Gleason

**Minutes**

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 1, 2018 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

**Public Comment**

Public Comment taken during each agenda item.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

Review/Place on File – Lansing Police Department 2017 Annual Report

Chief Yankowski referenced the report which highlighted the department and is available on the website and social media. The document is a transparent snapshot of things that happened in 2017. Chief Yankowski referred the Committee to page 8 and the statistics on formal and informal complaints lodged against the LPD. This got contributed to more technology to validate work that is performed by the officers. Council Member Wood asked if there was a thought on a random selection of the formal complaints to send a survey to see how they felt they were treated. Chief Yankowski noted they have discussions with the Administration on community surveys. Council Member Wood suggested survey questions. Chief Yankowski noted that half of the complaints are internal complaints. The presentation moved onto the statistics page 10 which highlighted community participation on community meetings, events, reports, arrests, etc. The next statistic was on page 17 which spoke to vehicles and traffic follow-ups, and parking tickets. Council Member Wood asked about earlier discussions on an electric vehicle for parking enforcement. Chief Yankowski stated they are still researching the best vehicle. Council Member Wood then asked about moving a parking person to shift work and enforcing the “no parking 2am – 5am”. Chief Yankowski stated that with an enterprise fund they need to be cautious on what work the funds are spent on, but if there are changes to the current ordinance they would have to address staffing then. The presentation moved onto a brief overview of the Explorer Program, officers, the Violent Crime Initiative, and “hot-spot” enforcement. Council Member Wood asked if they were offering sign language training for the officers, and the Chief referenced Officer Coates current role in that training. Council Member Wood asked if they were training officers on the Human Rights Ordinance. Chief Yankowski stated he would have to check into the training program they have been using this year. Council Member Garza asked about the overtime for enforcement in the Pleasant Grove/Holmes area and being utilized when considering since there is not a lot of activity on Sunday's and Monday's. The Chief stated that they are addressing the issues based on when they are needed there in their tactics. Page 44 spoke to the FOIA statistics and policies in place in the LPD.

Ms. Womboldt acknowledged the LPD for their attendance at the neighborhood meetings.

#### RESOLUTION – Introduction & Set Public Hearing; Exterior Lighting Ordinance

The Committee received the newest version, Draft 1.4 from Law to review. Mr. Venker noted that the new language is what was introduced in March, 2018 with small changes, including page 1, line 15 now says “five (5) vehicles”, and lines 18-21 speaks now to even lighting in the parking lots. Mr. Venker moved to page 2, line 17 which speaks to exemptions with the addition of exemption 4 on page 3 which now states “Public Recreational Facilities, not including the parking lots for public recreational facilities.” Regarding questions at earlier meetings on making the ordinance enforcement retro-active, it cannot be retro-active but if an owner changes their use or rezones, tears down or rebuilds these amendments would come into effect. Council Member Garza asked if the amendments would address the issues Logan Square, and Council Member Wood answered that they would only if they did something significant. She added that staff should also be currently looking at the international electrical code to see if there is anything on exterior lighting and it being maintained.

Ms. White asked if the amendments would be in effect at the Lugnut Stadium, and Mr. Venker because it falls under the exemption for sport fields.

Ms. Gleason spoke about page 2, line 14 where it noted luminous tubes are prohibited, and Mr. Venker clarified that means they cannot be used as an architectural detail therefore passing as lighting.



MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO SEND THE ORDINANCE TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR THEIR RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Council staff was directed to send the ordinance to Ms. Stachowiak in Economic Development and Planning for the Planning Board recommendation.

#### DISCUSSION – Sign Ordinance Enforcement

Mr. McGrain provided an update on the businesses located at Pennsylvania and Jolly and their sign violations, noting that notices had been sent to all businesses at that intersection that were in violation. At 5115 S. Pennsylvania, all signs were removed, and all signs but 2 were removed from the Nikos business on the south east side. In regards to the Verified all items getting removed. Ms. Stachowiak noted the other intersection has not been removed and the owners were informed they will be removed and charged the violation fee. Council Member Wood asked what the time frame was on sign removal, and Mr. McGrain stated he would provide that information, along with finding out if they are repeat offenders if they get less time. Council Member Garza inquired into if anything was done with the banners at all those locations, and Mr. McGrain confirmed those were addressed as part of the violation notice. Mr. McGrain then went on to explain that in general on sign enforcement, either they get the complaint by email or a phone call. Signs are a zoning violation, therefore Ms. Stachowiak in his office issues the letters, logs into the data base, and does the follow up. They also utilize the Code Enforcement to double check some areas. With the recent hiring of the new Code Officers, they have taken the task of enforcement of all signs in the right-of-way. Council Member Wood asked what is done once those signs are picked up; if they are notified based on any phone numbers on the signs, so that they do not do it again and if not she suggested a letter be sent from the City Attorney office to them. Council Member Wood then spoke on continual complaints with the vendors that rent the Lansing Center, place signs in the right of way but never pick them up. Mr. McGrain admitted to having conversations with Mr. Keith on this and noted there was language in the current contracts to address it. Council Member Garza asked about the process thus far with cars in the right-of-way on Pennsylvania. Mr. McGrain asked Council Member Garza to contact his office with the addresses and his office will follow up.

Ms. Gleason asked if Code is taking signs on utility poles and trees also and Mr. McGrain confirmed. Council Member Wood asked Mr. McGrain to check to see if there was an ordinance on the books already that speaks to those types of signs.

#### DISCUSSION/UPDATE – Residential Trash & Recycling Bin Policy

Council Member Wood referred to Draft 3 recently submitted at this meeting by Law, asking what the changes were, because a hearing was already set for August 13, 2018. Mr. Abood answered that the changes were suggestions to the Committee for consideration, as an alternative enforcement method to be effective action. Ms. Hagen went through the changes that were found on page 4-5 speaking to the dollar amounts in the fines. First offense to \$25; Second offense to \$50 and Third offense to \$250.00. The Committee accepted the changes and added to page 5 line 1 after the fines "These ticketed fees could be changed from time to time by resolution."

Council Member Wood asked Mr. McGrain and Mr. Kilpatrick where things were on the proposed policy for placing stickers on the containers and picking up if there is a violation. Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed they cannot pick up, and Mr. Abood added that with the change in the

ordinance to state Public Service can designate, they can now designee to code enforcement. Regarding recycle bins left at the curb, Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed they cannot pick those up. The trash bins he added can be taken for non-payment. Council Member Wood asked if the City can contact Granger on the recycling bins when there is a violation, and Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed they were the licensed vendors along with Eric's Refuse for trash containers and the City.

Council Member Wood asked if the hearing scheduled for August 13<sup>th</sup> could still be held with the new proposed changes just coming to Committee today. Mr. Abood stated it could be re-noticed, but Mr. Smiertka stated that they can move forward with the hearing. Council staff was asked to provide copies of the recent draft to Council and the public.

Ms. Gleason spoke in opposition because in her opinion the bins still could not be taken with violations. Council Member Wood assured her that now this allows for tickets to be issued, and there is a policy to mark the containers, and if it is a City container they will take them, and if it is a Granger they will get tickets. The policy is in the work with Public Service and Economic Development and Planning. Council Member Wood assured Ms. Gleason she will explain at the hearing on Monday.

Council Member Garza asked if the Granger contract can be amended to state they have to pick up their containers if their client has a violation. Mr. Kilpatrick stated he would look to see when their contract is up and if it could be added. Mr. Abood added to the conversation that when doing the research the Law department found that the City of Lansing fines were the cheapest, so they are hoping raising the fines will help the issue.

#### UPDATES – Logan Square Shopping Center –

Mr. McGrain introduced Mr. Swan, the interim building code official, then informed the Committee that his department had performed a site visit and verified that the pot holes were filled, the window signage removed and they will be performing a follow-up. He added that they had spoken to the businesses on site and met with the property manager. During the visit they also looked into the vacant suites and will be writing up safety issues, which included issues with the electrical and roof. Over the next day's Mr. Swan is scheduled to do a walk-through of the building. Mr. McGrain added that his office has also been in contact with Officer Blake the Fire Marshall and they will be working with LFD to be inside the suites and address the issues, and Officer Blake confirmed they will be working with the Building Official.

Council Member Wood asked if the departments could provide the Committee with the list of fire and zoning violations at Logan Square. Mr. McGrain and Officer Blake confirmed they could provide those after their inspection. Officer Blake then outlined what he had found already on site, which was that the building had a lot of locked doors but he did speak to Mr. Maran and noticed potential suspicious violations he will pass along to the Police Chief. He was asked if there was a lighting issue at night, and Office Blake state he did not note any, but thinking back he did recall some dead spots and wide open spaces.

#### Pleasant Grove & Holmes Shopping Center-Law Alternatives to bring owners in line

Officer Blake informed the Committee that on July 17<sup>th</sup> he started his inspections on site, and visited the existing businesses but they had odd hours, so some he was not able to get into at all. He confirmed he did visit the market, and spoke to them about contacting the property owner, at which he was informed to send all communications to the store.

Council Member Wood referenced a spreadsheet that was created by Ms. White. Chief Yankowski started going through the spreadsheet noting to Ms. White and the Committee that even though there are items on the document noted as "passed due", since the end of June

there has been significant response, his officers have over 260 hours into enforcement. They have looked at the actual data, police call incidents reports and in July there were only three (3). Council Member Wood asked Ms. White to explain what "passed due" in her report referenced and asked if she was promised results in 2 weeks. Ms. White confirmed she created the document from the Committee on Public Safety meeting of June 27<sup>th</sup>, and 2 weeks was her understanding from that meeting. Chief Yankowski stated to Ms. White and the Committee that his attendance at this meeting is to provide an update, and they are limited on what they can report on. He then went through the spreadsheet and complaints in the area. Council Member Wood distributed an email from Linda Vail with the Ingham County Health Department, in which it stated *"He did apply for and get seasonal permits twice in 2017. He does not have any type of license right now. We have received complaints about him giving food away (which is allowed as long as it's not public). My guess is he was not operating a closed party, and if that's the case it is a violation. We have been out to talk to him about that. The recent complaint you referred to was followed up on by my office. Unfortunately, we must find them in the act in order to begin enforcement. We went out multiple times between mid-June and early July and did not find them in operation."* Chief Yankowski noted that when they made contact with the business, they were cooking their lunch but did not find them selling it.

Ms. White introduced herself and provided the name Ben Singh as the owner of the property. Officer Blake confirmed he had that phone number and contact information, and acknowledged that to the best of his knowledge the family owns and manages four (4) stores in the area. He also stated the information he has was that the current owner is in Orchard Lake and the new owners, Singh, is in Grand Ledge. His notices will go to the owners or responsible partner, and will send a registered letter to the address of the property with the timeline of 7 days. If he does not get a response from the Mr. Singh, he will then seek an administrative warrant to finish the inspections that need to be done.

Chief Yankowski informed the Committee that his office has reached out to the MSU Economic Design for Crime Prevention and they have set aside funds to look at ideas on how to improve the design for crime prevention in that area.

Ms. White asked how long the LPD overtime can last. Chief Yankowski noted that 260 house is not just working on this issue but other issues in the area and what they call problem solving enforcement. The public safety cameras have been updated and they are utilizing it.

Officer Pratl updated the Committee that on June 28<sup>th</sup> he was to site with 4-5 other officers, and went to each business with a packet of information and resources, including the "Letter of Trespass". Out of the 14 businesses they visited they have received five (5) letters; Vons Market, Quality Dairy, Sprint and Center of the Plate Catering. Officer Pratl also added that they brought ice cream for the event, but there were not a lot of people so they took it to the South Side Community Center.

Chief Yankowski updated the Committee on a person who appeared to be loitering in the area in the past, stating the LPD has taken the necessary steps to help address his needs.

Council Member Wood asked if there have been any tickets or arrests for zero-tolerance filed with the City Attorney office. Chief Yankowski stated that there were no businesses cited but any individuals cited were under the City ordinances. Council Member Wood asked if they would be logged or flagged under that location. Mr. Smiertka stated that law monitors police reports and the tickets, they watch the area and flag them in the City Attorney office. Council Member Wood asked if there were any of those cases coming up in the court docket. Mr. Aboud stated there is nothing that they believe zero-tolerance would apply to.

Council Member Wood asked Mr. Abood for confirmation from the last meeting that the letter to Mr. Singh could or was emailed or sent fax to Mr. Ben Singh. Mr. Abood stated he called Mr. Singh and got no response but was informed he will be back in Lansing on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Council Member Wood asked Law to reach out to the Singh's and have them at the August 22, 2018 Committee meeting. Mr. Smiertka stated they would extend the invitation and request the letter/agreement be returned signed to the City by August 17<sup>th</sup>. Council Member Wood then asked if they do not comply, if the City Attorney thinks there is a nuisance case. Mr. Abood stated that nuisance cases are specific and indicated at the last meeting that law is researching the option. They will be looking at the inspections, and any contacts with the police. He added that the threshold is not low; they need enough facts that represent that they compromise the health, safety, and welfare before they would approach court. Mr. McGrain acknowledged they could supply law with anything they have listed in code enforcement in a 2 block radius. Mr. Abood stated they only need the Pleasant Grove/Holmes site, 3418 and 3434 Pleasant Grove, and anything 6 months back. Mr. McGrain agreed to provide 6 months and 12 months and any zoning issues.

Council Member Wood reminded the Committee and public that the ordinance on the gambling is on the agenda for passage Monday night.

Council Member Wood spoke on her concern with the Arts Council and projects for the intersection at Pleasant Grove/Holmes, and them being now told there is a drop dead date that things have to be done by. She continued by stating that the Committee is holding special meetings and required departments attend to address the issues on the site, but now they are hearing that something has to be done by August 28<sup>th</sup> or the art goes to a different location. She asked what would be helpful in making the Art Council not move it from this location. Mr. McGrain stated that the plan is to keep things moving at this site, they are on the same page and they have demonstrated to have art there sooner than later. Council Member Wood asked Mr. McGrain if Council should generate a resolution to persuade the Art Council to hold off on moving the art to another site. Mr. McGrain again stated in his conversations the Art Council is continuing to move in this direction. Council Member Wood asked for a meeting with the Director of the Art Council to let her know the commitment and time that has been put into the efforts, and Mr. McGrain agreed to the idea.

Ms. Womboldt stated there were multiple complaints on the property and Council Member Hussain had them documented.

Ms. White explained the reasoning for the spreadsheet she submitted to the Committee and Administration.

Ms. Gleason spoke in opposition to "zero tolerance". Council Member Wood explained that the Committee is looking for "zero tolerance" when things go to court so that there are no plea bargains. Chief Yankowski noted to Ms. Gleason that the LPD does not like to use the words "zero tolerance" but their practice is a discretionary policing based on what is the action at the time and about the presence there. Mr. Abood added that Law does not get warrants just on incidents because of the location in the City, or certain time of day. They look at specific elements of crimes.

#### Other

Council Member Garza inquired into if Mr. Swan could verify a statement made by a plumbing inspector to the Waterfront Bar and Grill that the facility is not plumbed correctly for a coffee shop. Mr. Swan confirmed.

The Committee will meet again August 22, 2018.

**ADJOURN**

Submitted by 5:30 p.m.

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager

Lansing City Council

Approved:

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**CITY OF LANSING - DEMOLITION BOARD  
REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL  
CASE OVERVIEW SHEET**

|                |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|
| ADDRESS:       | 500 Lesher Place    |
| PARCEL NUMBER: | 33-01-01-15-104-431 |

|                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| LISTED TAXPAYER:    | Shane, Thomas |
| INTERESTED PARTIES: |               |
| SEV INFORMATION:    | \$16,900.00   |
| LAND VALUE:         | \$8,179.00    |
| BUILDING VALUE:     | \$25,703.00   |
| LOT SIZE:           |               |

|                    |                                       |
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| LEGAL DESCRIPTION: | LOT 16 BLOCK 2 ASSESSORS PLAT NO<br>7 |
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**ORDER OF DEMOLITION BOARD**

|                                |                                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| DEMOLITION BOARD MEETING DATE: | 4/20/2017                          |
| ORDER:                         | MAKE SAFE OR DEMOLISH BY 5/24/2018 |
| REASON/CONDITIONS:             | DANGEROUS BUILDING                 |
| HEARING OFFICER:               | DAVE MUYLLE                        |

**CURRENT CITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY**

|                                      |  |
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| REQUEST FOR SHOW CAUSE SENT:         |  |
| SHOW CAUSE HEARING DATE:             |  |
| PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW: |  |

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| SHOW CAUSE HEARING DATE: |           |
| DEMOLITION CASE FILE #:  | 2018-D001 |

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| HOUSING CODE VIOLATION LTR: | 3/31/2016    |
| ORIGINAL RED TAG DATE:      | 3/31/2016    |
| ZONING:                     | R DM-3       |
| ESTIMATE OF REPAIRS:        | \$136,740.00 |
| PICTURES:                   | YES          |
| OTHER:                      |              |

**CURRENT PERMIT ACTIVITY**

|             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| BUILDING:   | Required, not yet pulled |
| ELECTRICAL: | Required, not yet pulled |
| MECHANICAL: | Required, not yet pulled |
| PLUMBING:   | Required, not yet pulled |
| DEMOLITION: | na                       |



# 500 Lesher Place

- Original Red Tag Date
  - 3/31/2016
- Submitted Into Make Safe Or Demolish Process
  - 10/20/2017
- Property Vacant/Repairs Exceed Building SEV
  - Property vacant more than 180 days
  - Repairs exceed building SEV
- Title Information
- Thomas, Shane



# 500 Lesher Place

## Property Value Information

- SEV

- \$8,900 (*as of 1/20/14*)

- Structure

- \$6,929 (*as of 1/20/14*)

- Land

- \$10,868 (*as of 1/20/14*)

- Estimate of Repairs

- \$130,075.00



# 500 Leshner Place.

## Housing Code Correction Letters

- Code Compliance Inspection Date

- 03/31/2016

- Code Compliance Letter Written

- 03/31/2016

- Code Compliance Due Date

- 04/30/2016



# 500 Lesher Place.

## Demolition Board Actions

- Demolition Board Show Cause Hearings

- 2/22/2018 tabled till 3/22/2018

- Order by Demolition Board

- MS or D by 05/24/2018

- Request Sent To City Council for Show Cause Hearing

- 6/11/2018



# 500 Leshner Place.

## City Council Actions

- Show Cause Hearing Held
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- Public Safety Committee Meeting
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- Resolution passed by City Council
- Extension Requested By Owner



# 500 Leshher Place .

## General Comments

- None of the required permits have been pulled as of 06/11/18.



# RECOMMENDATIONS

## ● FOR NEW CASES:

- Recommend time frame for MS or D. This requires a resolution be passed by City Council –
  - 60 days for regular demolitions
  - 30 days for fire-damaged demolitions
- Table case – Stays at PS Committee level for future review.

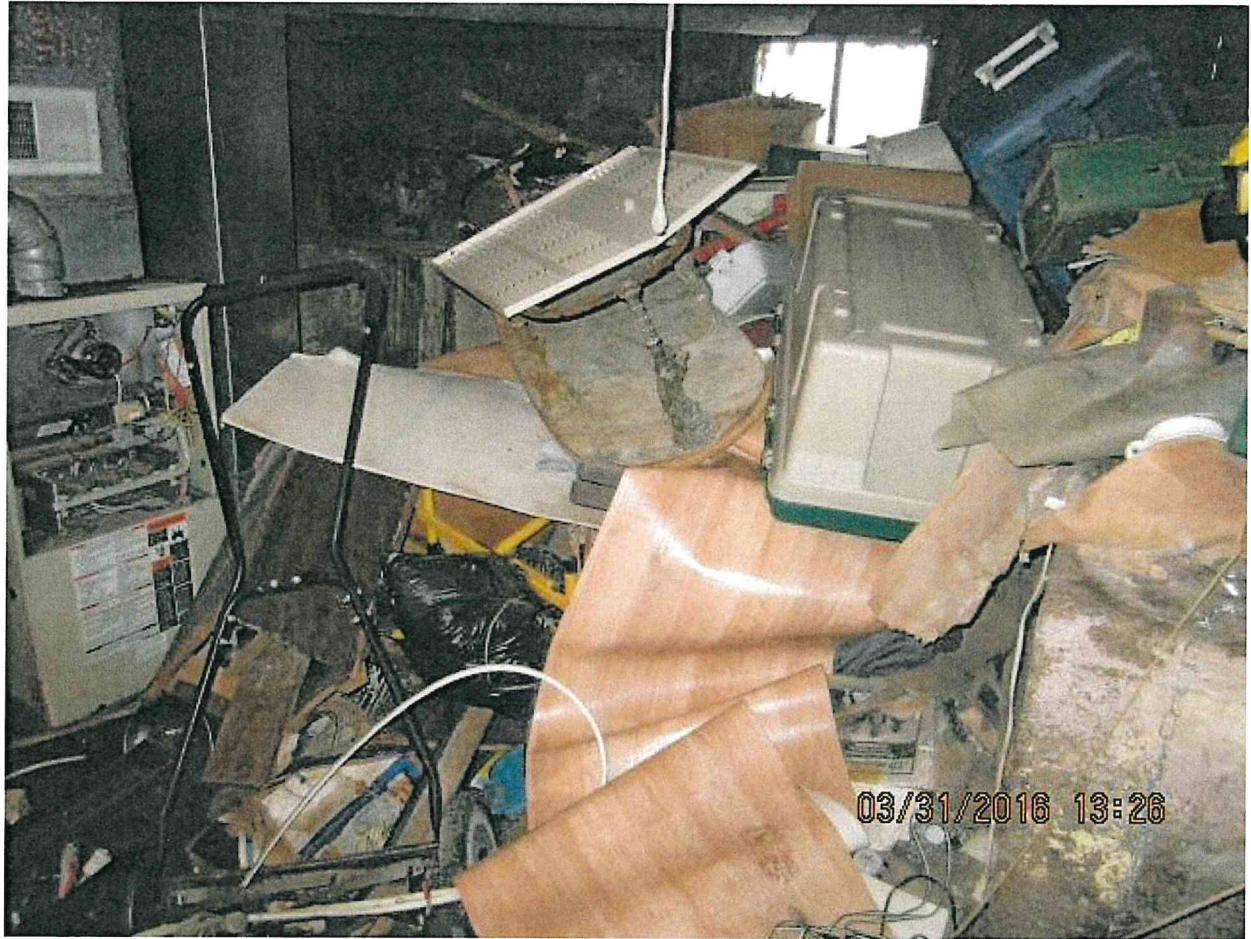
## ● FOR EXTENSION REQUESTS:

- Grant extension if requested. Requires new resolution be passed by City Council.
- Deny extension requested. Case will proceed in demo process and be sent out to bid for demolition.

## ● FOR TABLED CASES:

- Recommend time frame for MS or D. This requires a resolution be passed by City Council –
  - 60 days for regular demolitions
  - 30 days for fire-damaged demolitions
- Return case to table – Stays at PS Committee level for future review.





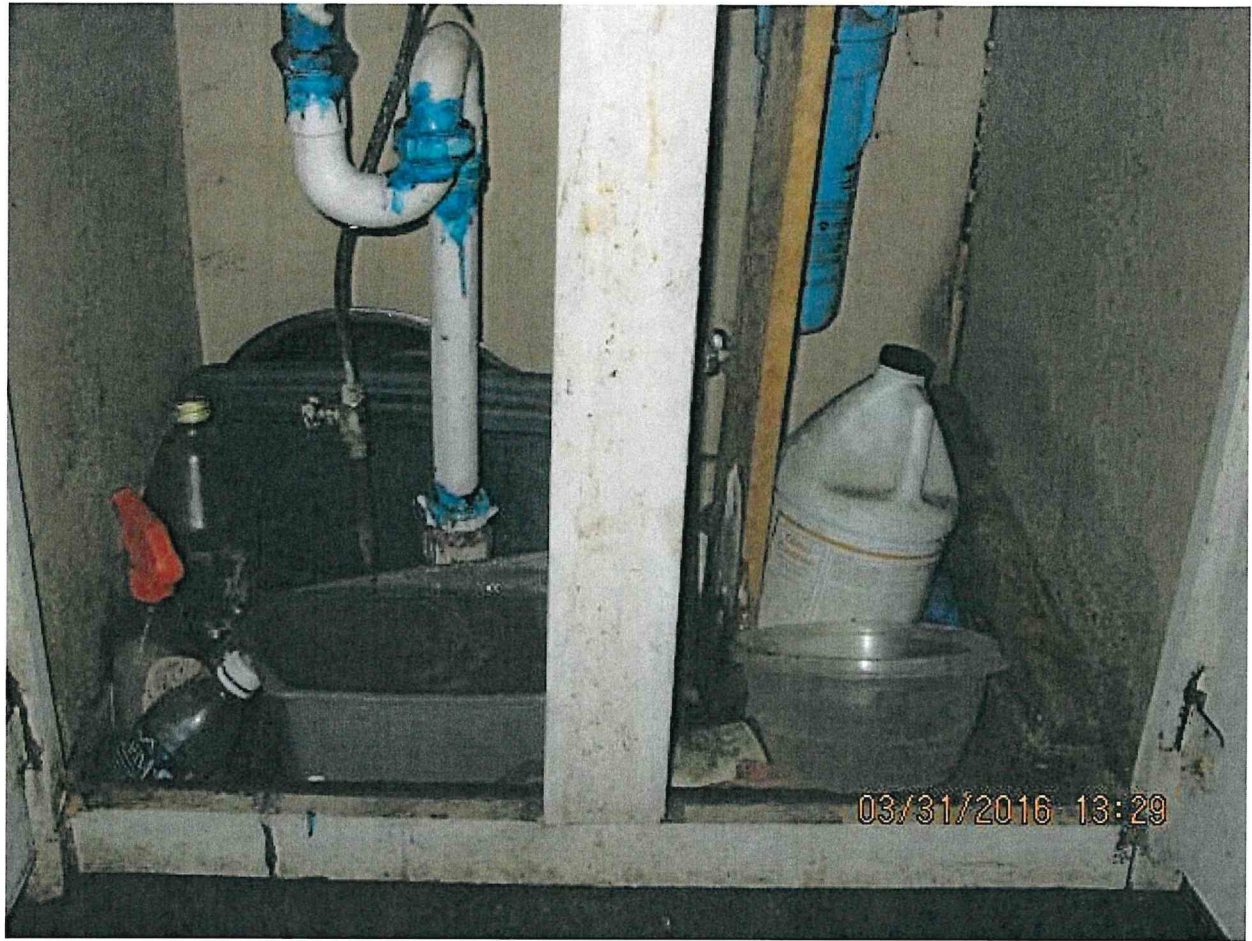




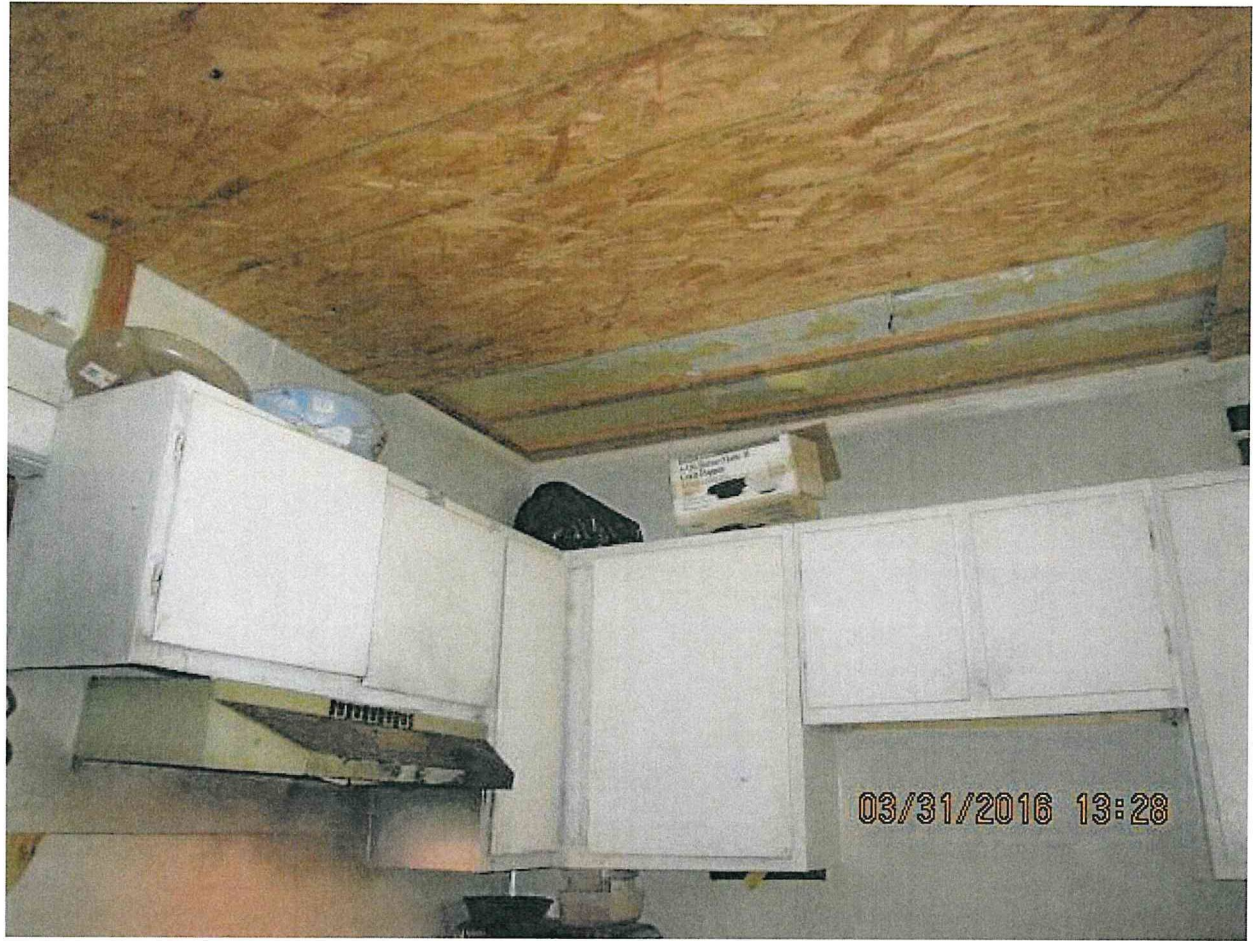






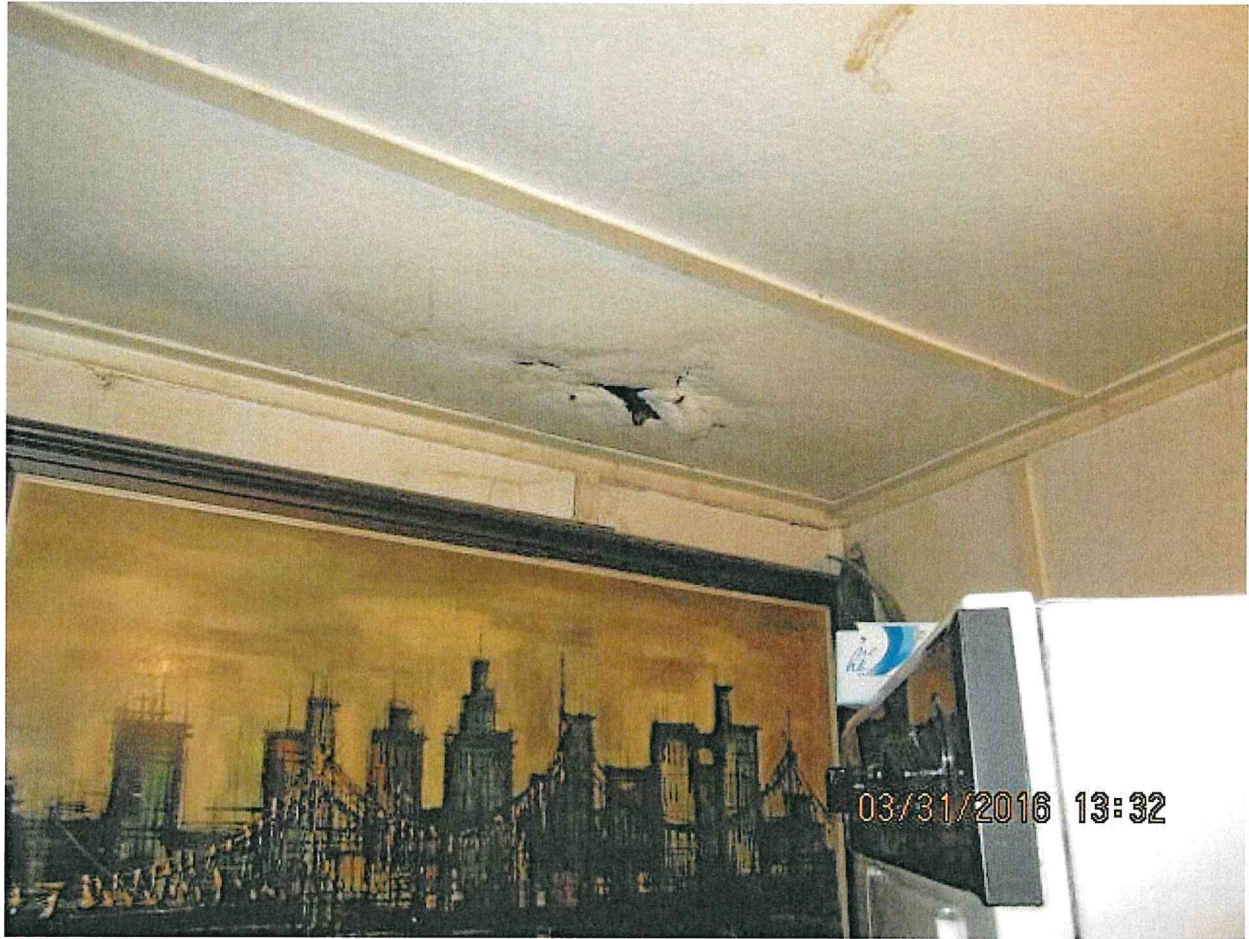












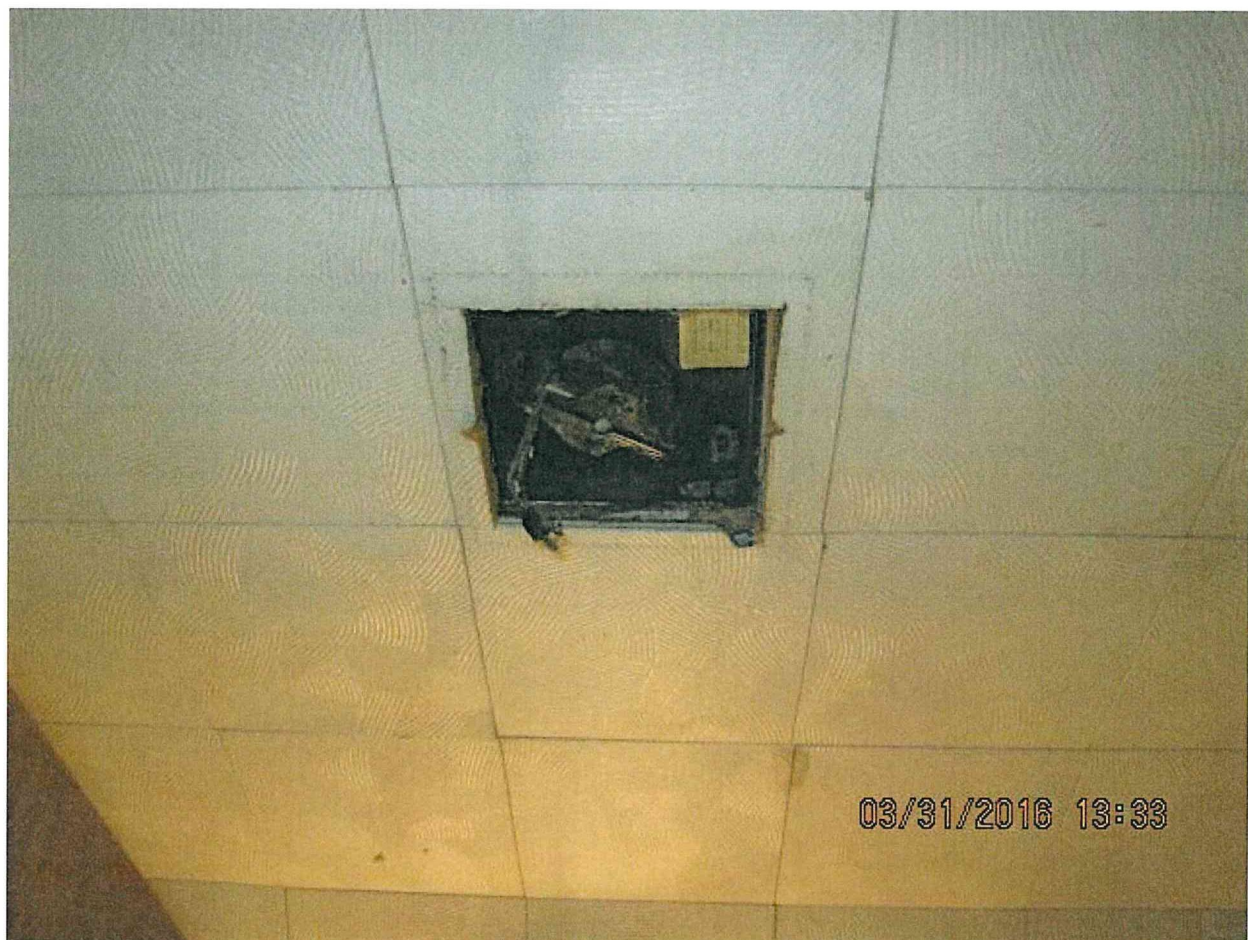


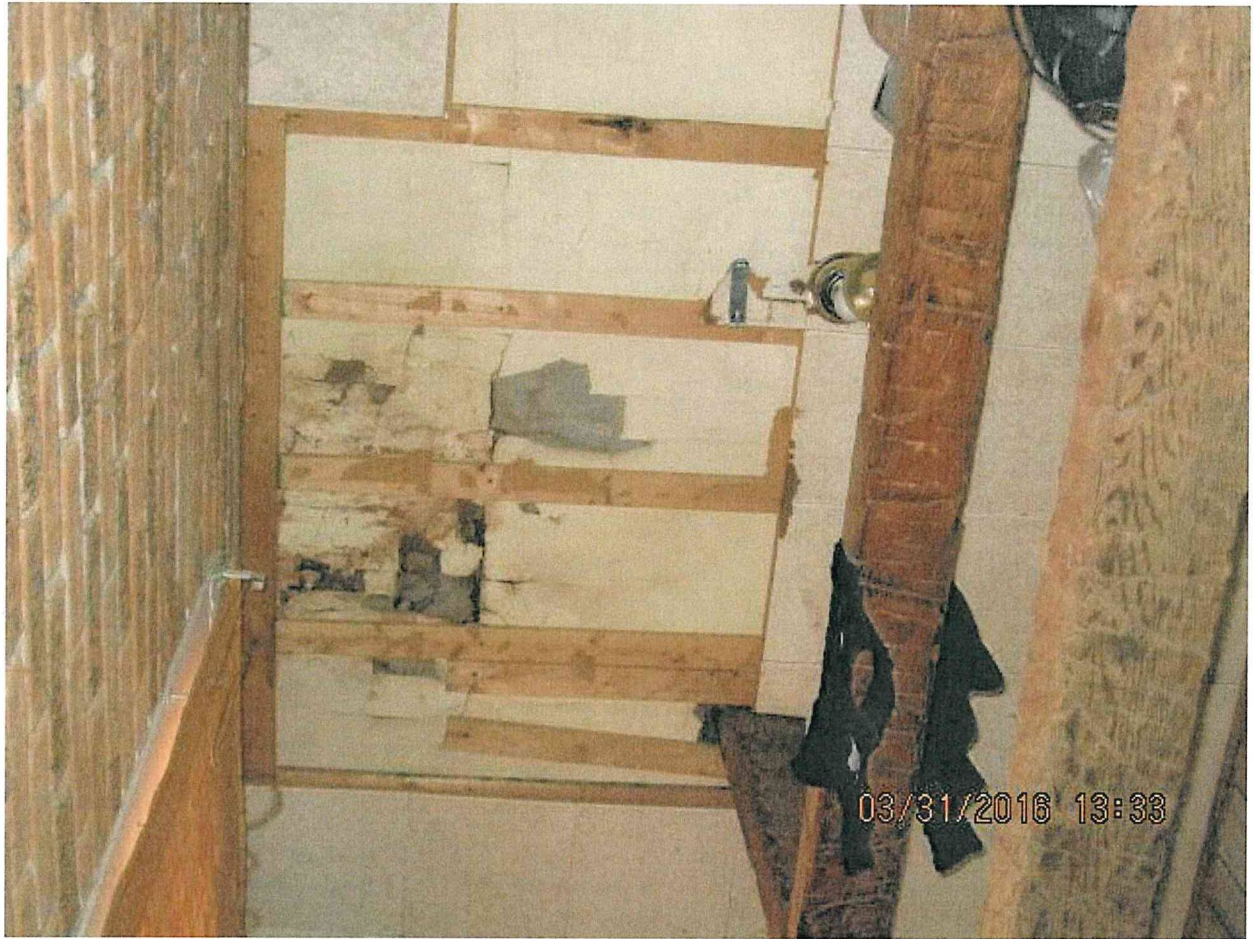




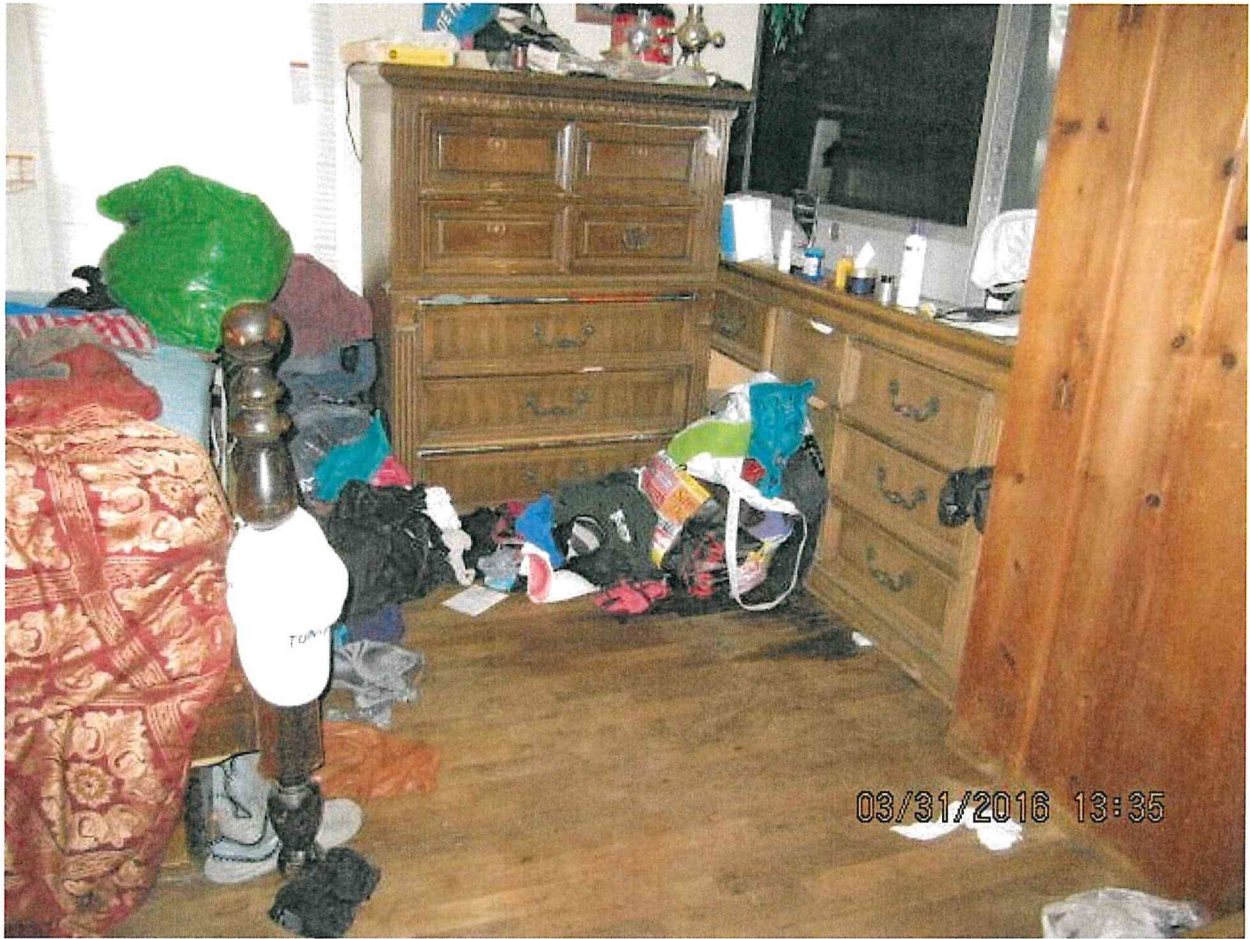


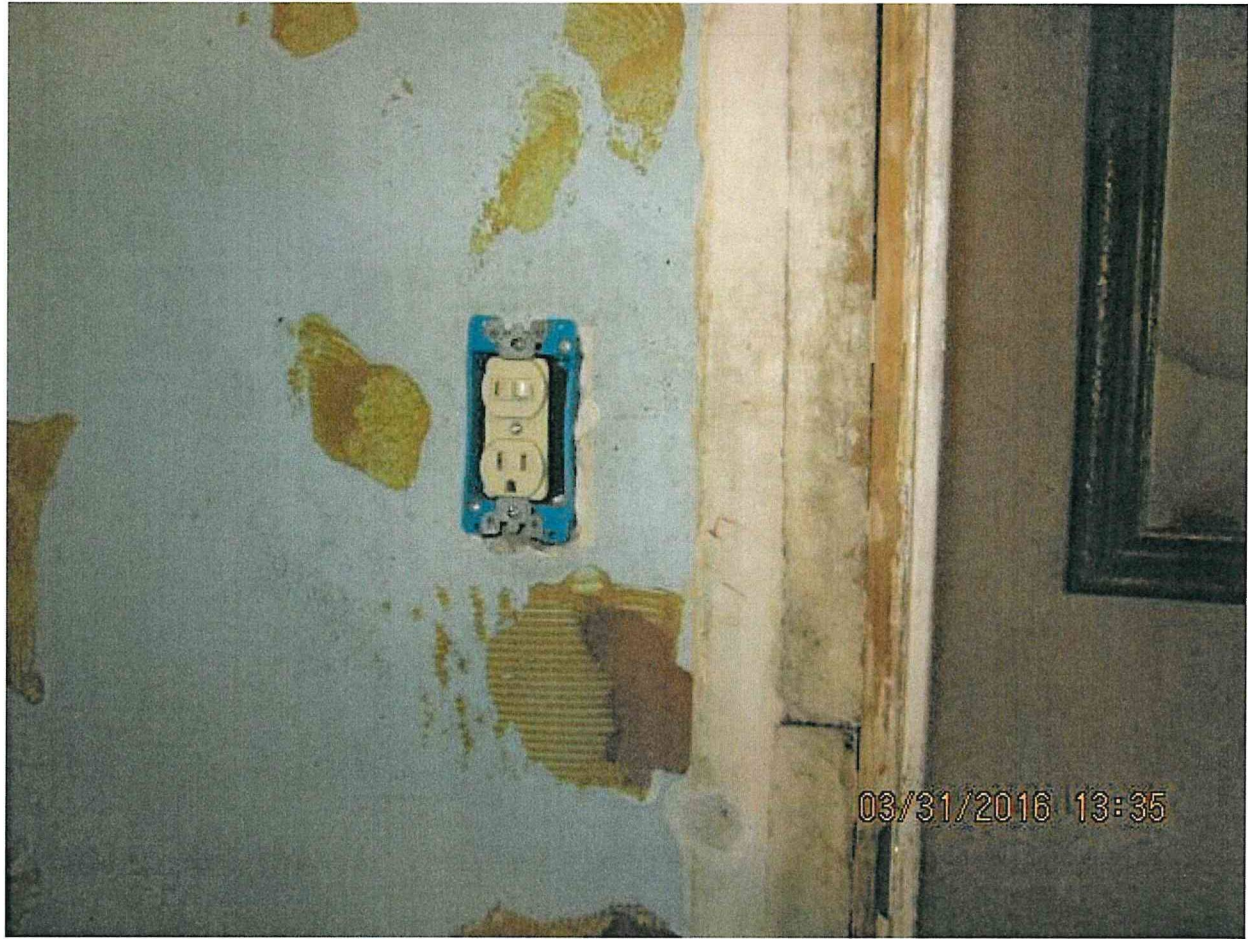




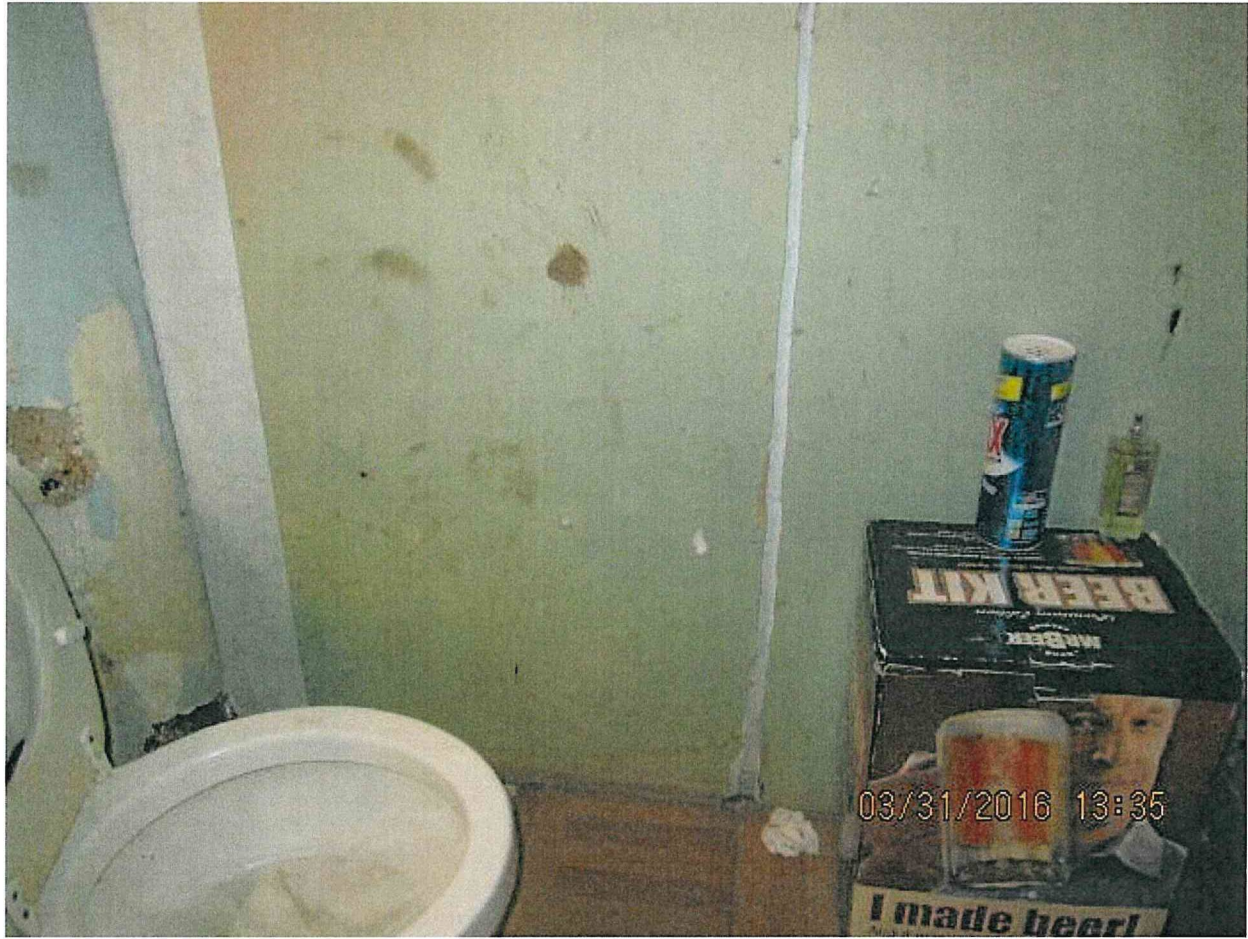


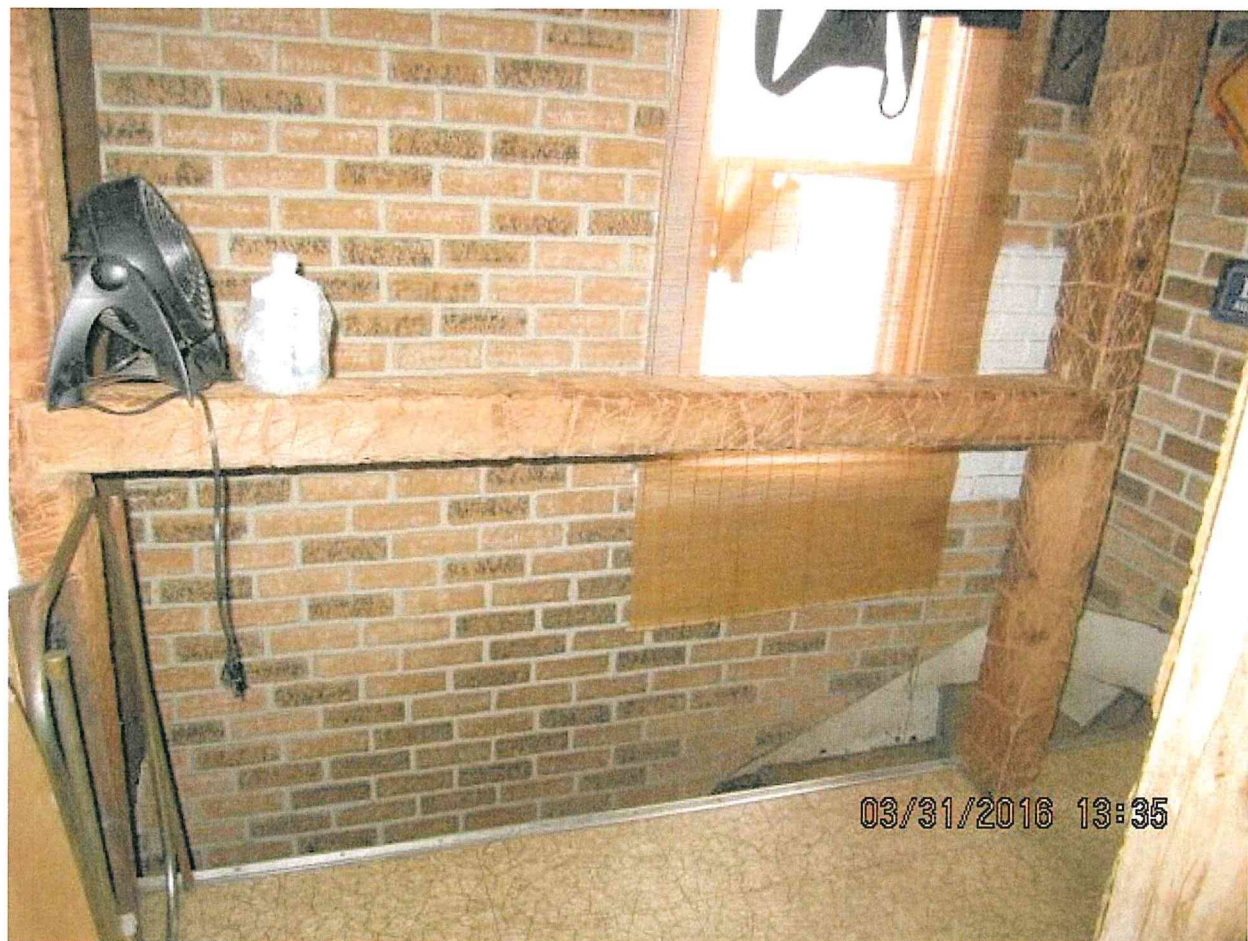










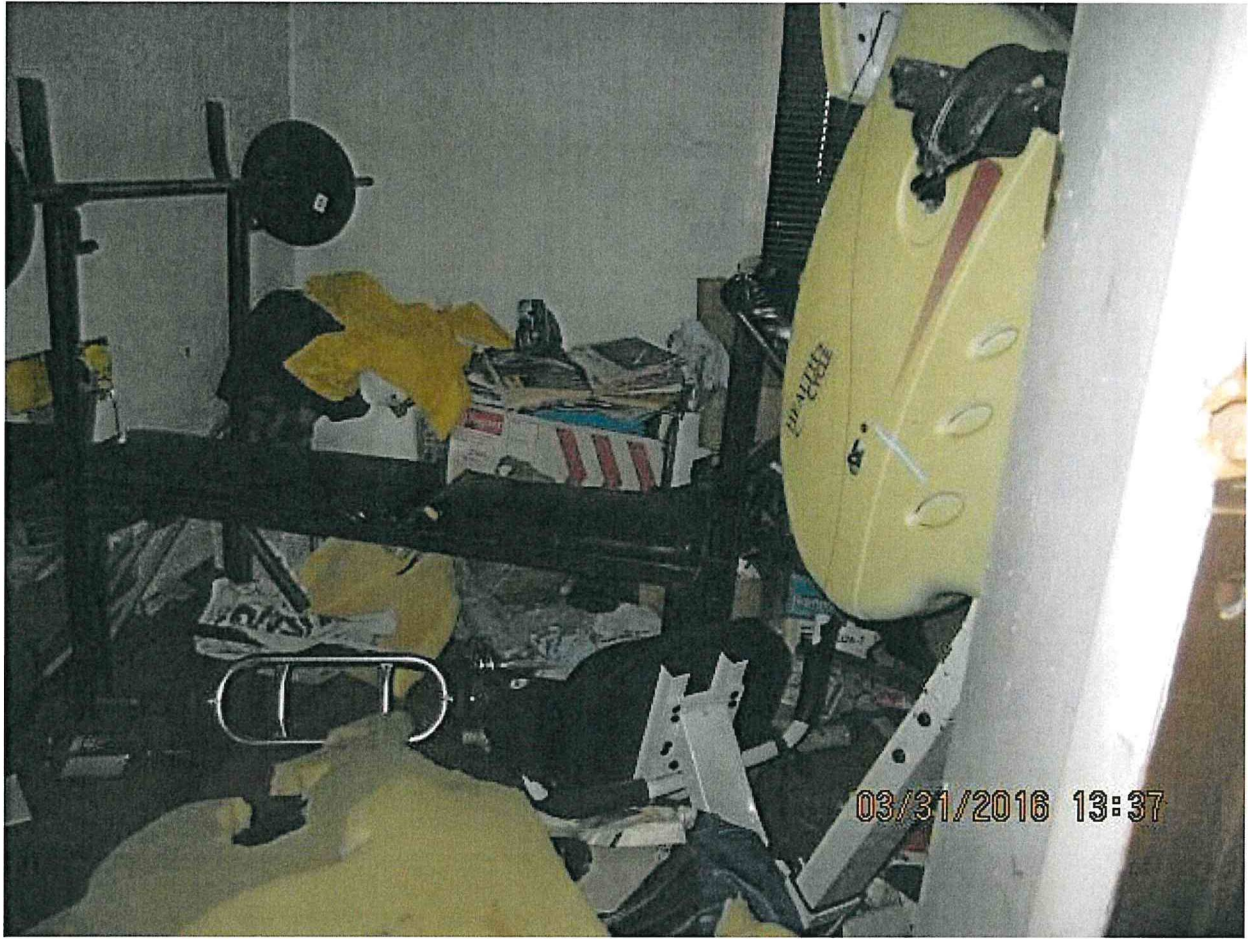


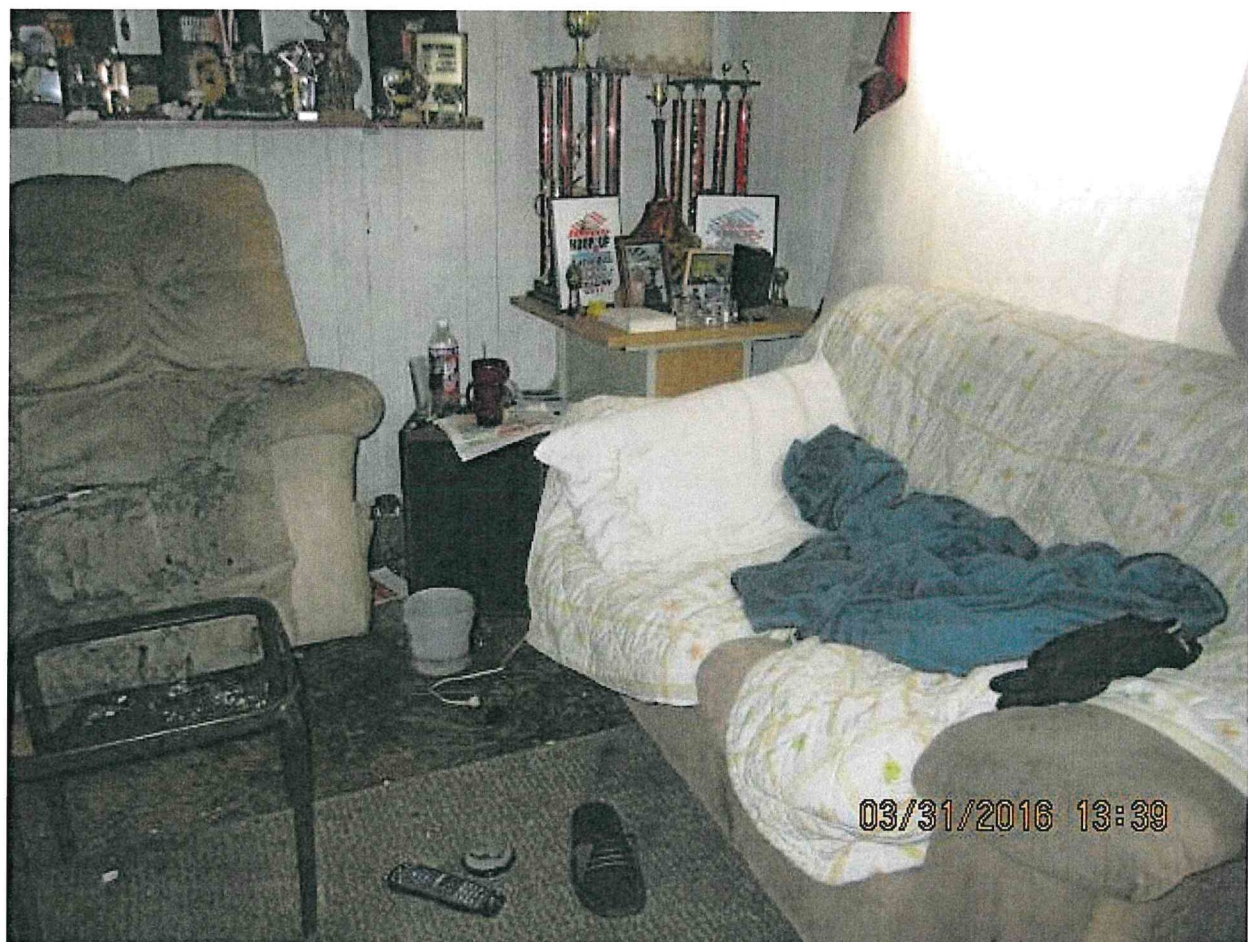












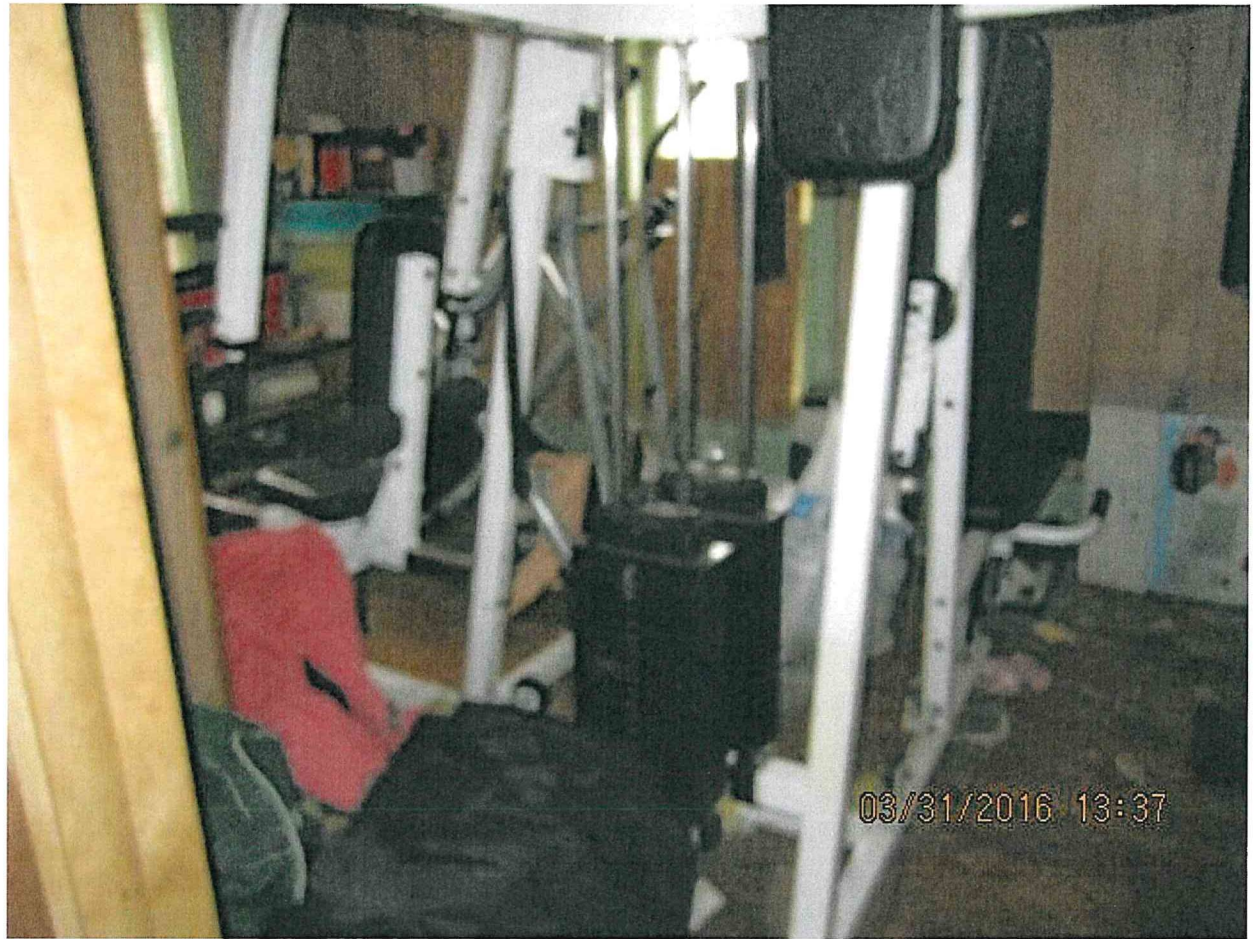


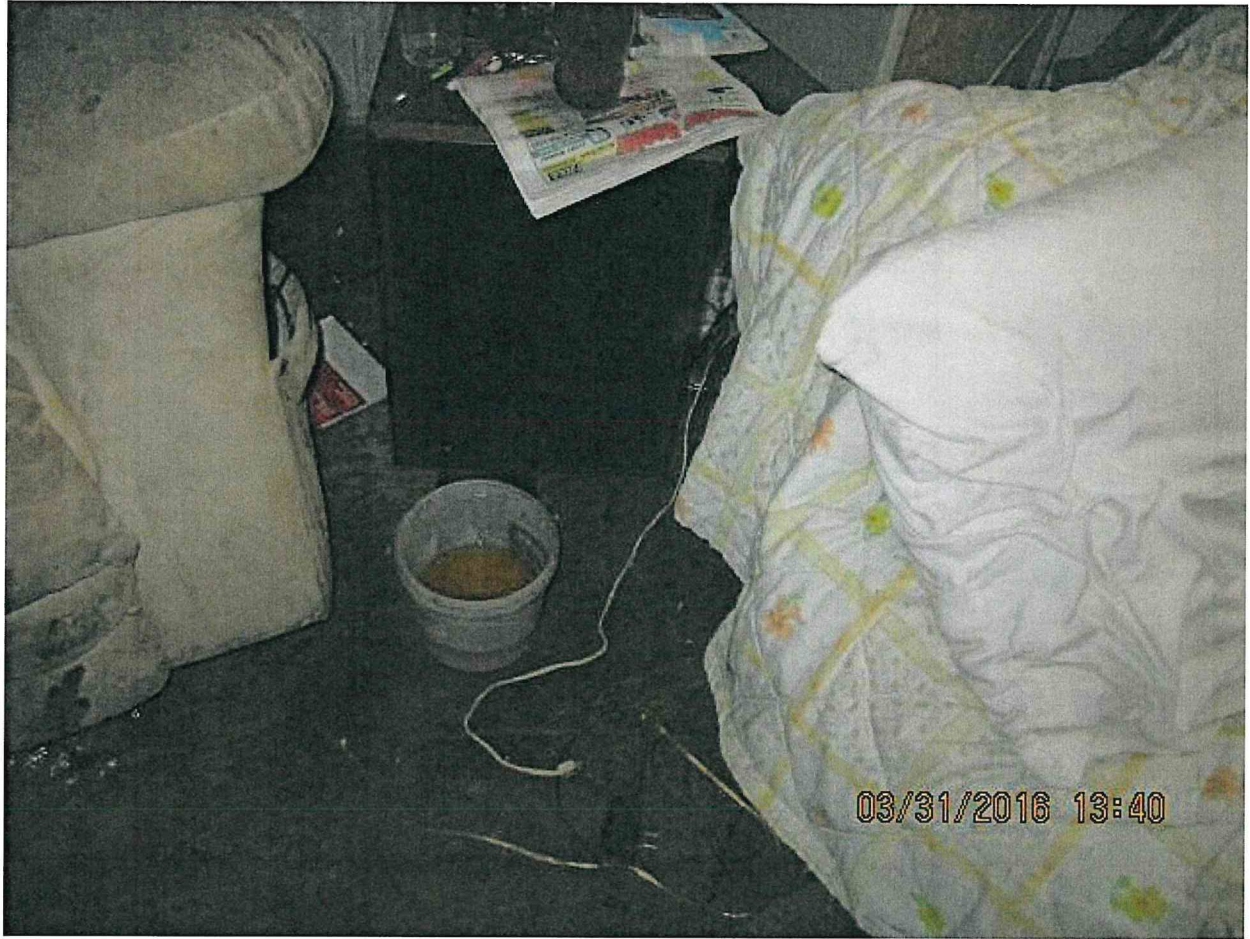


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BY THE  
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Lead Housing Inspector has determined that the building located at **500 Leshner Place**, Parcel # **33-01-01-15-104-121** legally described as: **Lot 16 Block 2 Assessors Plat No 2**, is an unsafe or dangerous building as defined in Section 108.1.1 of the Lansing Housing and Premises Code and the Housing Law of Michigan and was red tagged on **08/27/2008**; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by the City of Lansing Demolition Board on **3/31/2016**, at which the Hearing Officers determined that said building was an unsafe and dangerous building and ordered the building demolished or made safe by **5/24/2018**; and

WHEREAS, said Hearing Officers filed a report of their findings and order with the City Council and requested the City Council to take appropriate action under the Lansing Housing and Premises Code and the Housing Law of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Law of Michigan and Premises Code require a hearing be conducted to give the property owner an opportunity to show cause why a dangerous structure should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on , to review the findings and the order of the Hearing Officers and the owners were notified in writing of said hearing and had an opportunity to appear and show cause why said building should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Section has determined that compliance with the order of the Lansing Demolition Hearing Board Officer has not occurred; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the owner(s) of are hereby directed to comply with the order of the Hearing Officers to demolish or otherwise make safe the said building within \_\_\_\_\_ days from the date of this resolution, .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property owner(s) is hereby notified that this order must be appealed within twenty days pursuant to MCL 125.542 and should the owners fail to comply with the Hearing Officers' order for demolition or make safe, the Manager of Code Compliance is hereby directed to proceed with demolition of said building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED whether demolition is accomplished by said property owner or the city that appropriate seeding and restoration of property take place to avoid run-off to adjacent properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost of such demolition shall be a lien against the real property and shall be reported to the City Assessor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the owners in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment record shall be notified by the City Assessor of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the records. Upon the owners failure to pay the same within thirty (30) days after mailing by the City Assessor of the notice of the amount thereof, the amount of said costs shall be a lien and shall be filed and recovered as provided by law and the lien shall be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for property tax liens under



the general property tax act.

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LANSING, MICHIGAN, TO AMEND THE  
LANSING CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 1060, SECTION 05,  
SECTION 07, SECTION 08, AND SECTION 99, TO BROADEN AND CLARIFY  
ENFORCEMENT OF COLLECTION BIN REQUIREMENTS.

THE CITY OF LANSING ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 1060, Section 05, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of  
Lansing, Michigan, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Between each collection period, the owner, tenant, lessee or occupant of any property shall  
provide a suitable place on the premises to store solid waste and/or recyclable materials. Solid  
waste and/or recycling and/or yard waste containers shall be placed and protected so that they  
cannot be easily disturbed by animals and in a place which, if possible, is not visible from the  
street and away from places occupied by other persons.

(b) Solid waste and/or recycling containers and/or yard waste containers, which will be picked  
up **FROM THE SIDE OF THE STREET** ~~by Public Service Department employees~~ from  
residential sites of generation, shall be set out in the right-of-way (adjacent to the street) on  
designated collection days, which shall be specified ~~in the rules and regulations prepared~~ by  
the Public Service Director and approved by Council. The schedule shall provide **FOR A**  
**MAXIMUM OF** one collection weekly. The solid waste and/or recycling containers shall not be  
placed between the sidewalk and the curb (adjacent to the street) prior to 4:00 p.m. of the day  
preceding the scheduled collection day. No later than 7:00 a.m. on the day following the  
collection day, the solid waste and/or recycling containers shall be promptly removed from



1 between the right-of-way (locations adjacent to the street) by the owner, resident, tenant, lessee  
2 or occupant.

3 Section 2. That Chapter 1060, Section 07, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of  
4 Lansing, Michigan, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 (a) The owner or occupant of a residential site of generation unit shall promptly clean up and  
6 remove any scattered solid waste, rejected items, recyclable material and/or yard waste resulting  
7 from the breakage or opening of any ~~City~~ collection bag, can or other container or refuse bag  
8 intended for collection from the residential site of generation unit within twenty-four hours after  
9 the same has been scattered.

10 (b) Within twenty-four hours after written notification by the City, the owner or occupant of a  
11 residential site of generation unit shall, in accordance with this chapter, properly dispose of any  
12 such scattered refuse, rejected items, any ~~City~~ collection bag (and the contents thereof), intended  
13 for collection which is either broken or otherwise open, any ~~City~~ collection bag which weighs in  
14 excess of thirty pounds, any ~~City~~ collection bag which contains unacceptable materials for  
15 collection or any ~~City~~ collection bag which was placed on the curb in front of the residence prior  
16 to 4:00 p.m. of the day preceding the collection day, or later than 7:00 a.m. of the day of  
17 collection.

18 (c) Notification shall be in writing and sent by first class mail to the owner or party in interest  
19 of the property on which or in front of which the violation of this chapter exists. The name and  
20 address of the owner or party in interest of the residential site of generation shall be determined  
21 from the last local tax assessment record for the property. Notice shall also be given to the  
22 occupant of the property on which or in front of which the violation exists, by either giving a

1 copy of the notice personally to a person at the residence or by sending a copy of the notice by  
2 first class mail to the "occupant," as addressee, addressed to the property, if there is a residential  
3 site of generation thereon, and by posting a copy of the notice in a conspicuous place at the  
4 property or on a building thereon.

5 Section 3. That Chapter 1060, Section 08, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of  
6 Lansing, Michigan, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 (a) *Removal or Abatement.* Any solid waste, recyclable material and/or yard waste  
8 accumulated in a manner which is a public nuisance; any scattered solid waste, rejected items,  
9 recyclable material and/or yard waste; broken or open ~~City~~ collection containers; yard waste  
10 collection or recyclable material containers in excess of thirty pounds; ~~City or private~~ collection  
11 containers containing unacceptable materials; or ~~City or private~~ collection containers placed in  
12 front of a residential site of generation contrary to any collection procedure referred to in Section  
13 1060.05; or any bulk item accumulated beyond the time frame identified in Section 1060.12, or  
14 unacceptable bulk item or bulk item placed in front of a residential site of generation contrary to  
15 collection procedures referred to in Sections 1060.14 and 1060.15, is hereby declared to be a  
16 public nuisance and is subject to removal or abatement. If a violation of this chapter is not  
17 corrected within seven days after notice is given in the manner provided in Section 1060.07 or  
18 1060.16, respectively, then the City, through its Public Service Director or ~~a~~**Authorized CITY**  
19 **OFFICIAL representative**, agent or designee, may remove or abate the nuisance.

20 (b) *Expenses.*

21 (1) The complete expense, including the administration costs to the City, incurred in the  
22 removal, abatement or preparation of materials for recycling shall be the sole responsibility of



the owner or party in interest of the property on which or in front of which the condition existed, and shall be paid by the owner or party in interest in whose name the property appears on the City's latest real property tax assessment records. The expense shall be a penalty for income tax purposes.

(2) The complete expense incurred shall be a lien against the real property and shall be reported to the City Assessor, who shall assess the same against the property on which or in front of which the nuisance was located.

(3) The owner or party in interest in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment records shall be notified of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the records. If he or she fails to pay the same within thirty days after mailing, by the City Assessor, of a notice of the amount thereof, the City Assessor shall add the same to the next tax roll of the City, and such amount shall be collected in the same manner in all respects as provided by law for the collection of taxes by the City.

Section 4. That Chapter 1060, Section 99, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Any violation of this Chapter 1060 shall be deemed to be a civil infraction pursuant to Code Chapter 203.

(b) The following schedule of civil fines payable to the Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau for admissions of responsibility to civil infraction violation notices is established under this chapter:

First offense ..... ~~\$20.00~~ **\$25.00**

~~First repeat~~ **SECOND** offense ..... ~~40.00~~ **\$50.00**

4 (c) ~~ALL THE DIRECTOR OF Public Service Department personnel~~ **OR THE DIRECTOR'S**  
5 **DESIGNEE** ~~are~~ is hereby named ~~designated as a~~ **Authorized City Official** to issue municipal  
6 civil infraction citations or municipal civil infraction violation notices pursuant to Code Section  
7 203.01.

Section 6. Should any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

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Approved as to form:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Yard Waste

Yard waste and outside storage areas make great homes for unwanted pests! Yard waste (brush, leaves, debris) must be bundled or bagged and disposed of properly. Many local businesses sell the brown lawn and leaf bags to help you dispose of your yard waste.

Visit: <https://www.lansingmi.gov/511/Yard-Waste-Services> or contact the Public Service Department at 483-4400

The City of Lansing is committed to maintaining a safe, clean and attractive city.

We are sure that all citizens, property owners and tenants alike will cooperate in making Lansing a better place in which to live.

VISIT US ON THE WEB @  
[WWW.CITYOFLANSINGMI.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFLANSINGMI.COM)

### **Economic Development & Planning Code Enforcement Office**

316 N. Capitol Ave Lansing, MI 48933  
(517) 483-4361 FAX (517) 377-0100

## **CITY OF LANSING IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

### **Lansing Police Department**

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Emergency Phone | Dial 911 |
| Non-Emergency   | 483-4600 |

### **Economic Development & Planning**

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Building Safety         | 483-4355 |
| Zoning                  | 483-4085 |
| Development             | 483-4040 |
| Code Enforcement Office | 483-4361 |

### **Fire Marshal Division**

|                       |          |
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| Fire Marshal's Office | 483-4200 |
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### **Public Service**

|                             |          |
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| Reporting snow on sidewalks | 483-4456 |
| Garbage/Compost/Recycling   | 483-4400 |

### **Our Mission**

*To protect the health, safety and welfare of Lansing residents primarily through the preservation and improvement of the housing stock by assuring safe, decent and sanitary housing while preserving the integrity of Lansing neighborhoods*



Andy Schor, Mayor

## **Be A Good Neighbor**



*Submit @mto*



## **Did You Know**



Household garbage must be picked up weekly by a licensed waste hauler that you hire.

Household garbage must be placed in trash cans with tight fitting lids. Trash cans and recycle bins can not sit at the curb longer than 24 hours.

Larger items, such as mattresses, couches, etc.. can be picked up by the City of Lansing if you obtain a bulk sticker from the Treasurers Office or at some local grocery stores. You can contact the Treasurers Office at 517-483-4121 for more information.

Trash left on your property is your responsibility. Please be a good neighbor and dispose of it quickly and properly.



## **Yard Parking**

The City of Lansing asks for your cooperation by not parking vehicles on unapproved surfaces on private property (front yard, back yard, side yard).

The front yard of a residence includes all of the area between the structure and the curb. A residence may be a house or an apartment building. Your vehicle will be illegally parked if it is parked:

- ⇒ In the front yard
- ⇒ Across the sidewalk
- ⇒ The area between the sidewalk and the street
- ⇒ On a City right of way or easement



## **Tall Grass & Weeds**

Grass/weeds in excess of 8" in height is considered a public nuisance. It's time to mow the front back and side yards if you grass is growing to that height.

You are responsible for maintaining public property adjacent to yours; this includes parkways, sidewalks and alleys. The parkway is the portion of a yard from the City street to the City sidewalk.

Trim vegetation in the alley at the rear of your property for



free and unobstructed routes for neighbors and citizens.

Keep bushes and shrubbery trimmed back from the public right-of-way, for neighbors on foot, those backing out of driveways and those pulling into traffic. Bushes and shrubs in the front yard cannot exceed 36" in height near any driveway and intersection.

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**RESOLUTION #2018-160**

BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LANSING CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the prevalence of gun violence and the increasing frequency of mass shootings presents a rising threat to the safety and wellbeing of people in Lansing and throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, these mounting dangers are acute symptoms of the growing pervasiveness of easy access to guns, including weapons of war; and

WHEREAS, data suggests that guns are used to commit crimes ten times more often than they are used in self-defense; and

WHEREAS, gun attacks are five times more likely to result in death than attacks with any other weapons; and

WHEREAS, guns attacks result in suicides, murders, fatal accidents, or fatal domestic violence situations; and

WHEREAS; two thirds of homicides are committed using a gun; and

WHEREAS; it has been estimated that the medical, legal, and societal costs of gun violence has cost the American economy over \$100 billion dollars per year; and

WHEREAS Congress and the Michigan Legislature has refused to pass any sensible gun legislation that is supported by a majority of Americans and gun owners.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council urges State and Federal leaders to implement policies to reduce gun violence, fund research into the effects of gun violence and gun safety technology, increase mental health services, teach children communication and conflict resolution skills in school, enforce existing laws, expand resources to expand background checks and strengthen gun laws to protect citizens in Lansing, Michigan and the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council Committee on Public Safety will work with the Mayor's office to form a task force designed to research gun safety policies, priorities and ordinances that can be implemented at the local level.



**RESOLUTION 2017-240**  
**BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING**

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Lansing requires the Council to adopt an annual statement of Budget Policies and Priorities serving to guide the Administration in developing and presenting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, with joint efforts from the Administration and the Financial Health Team, established the following Mission/Vision and goals; and

The City of Lansing's mission is to ensure quality of life by:

- I. Promoting a vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive community that provides opportunity for personal and economic growth for residents, businesses and visitors
  - a. The City's diverse economy generates and retains (sustains) high quality stable jobs that strengthen the sales and property tax base and contribute to an exceptional quality of life.
  - b. The City is governed in a transparent, efficient, accountable and responsive manner on behalf of all citizens.
  - c. The City's neighborhoods have various resources that allow them to be on a long term viable and appealing basis.
  - d. Support economic development initiatives that promote and retain new industries and markets.
- II. Securing short and long term financial stability through prudent management of city resources.
  - a. Wise stewardship of financial resources results in the City's ability to meet and exceed service demands and obligations without compromising the ability of future generations to do the same.
  - b. Pursue and facilitate shared services regionally that allow for cost savings and revenue enhancement.
  - c. Support initiatives that build the City's property and income tax base.
- III. Providing reliable, efficient and quality services that are responsive to the needs of residents and businesses.
  - a. The City's core services and infrastructure are efficiently, effectively and strategically delivered to enable economic development and to maintain citizen's health, safety and general welfare.

IV. Adopting sustainable practices that protect and enhance our cultural, natural and historical resources.

- a. Seek partnership opportunities with educational and corporate institutions and to maintain and expand our talent base.
- b. Create vibrant places, support events and activities that showcase our waterfront and green spaces.
- c. Raise the level of support for projects and initiatives that showcase local and state history.

V. Facilitating regional collaboration and connecting communities.

- a. The City has a safe efficient and well connected multimodal transportation system that contributes to a high quality of life and is sensitive to surrounding uses.
- b. Seek a balanced distribution of affordable housing in the tri-county region.

WHEREAS, the City Council would like to continue its commitment, if funding is available, to:

- Maintain and improve the City's infrastructure;
- Preserve and ensure clean, safe, well-maintained housing and neighborhoods;
- Provide comprehensive and affordable recreational programs and youth and family services;
- Explore alternatives for improved efficiency in service and delivery; and

WHEREAS, in considering these Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget priorities, the Administration is encouraged to ascertain the feasibility of funding any new programs through either the reduction of spending in existing program areas or the exploration of new funding sources that would assure the sustainability of the program; and

WHEREAS, the Administration is encouraged to supplement, not supplant any existing resources for police, fire and local roads with the General Fund revenues collected under this millage; and

WHEREAS, the Administration was requested to include in its Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget, the necessary funding to accomplish all requested plans, studies, evaluations, reviews, report submissions, program assessments, and analyses noted within this resolution below, or alternatively documentation as to why such activities are prohibitively costly; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Charter states that the budget proposal due on the fourth Monday in March of each year shall contain "the necessary information for understanding the budget" and how the proposal addresses the priorities proposed by the City Council.



NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council, hereby, acknowledges that the City will likely need to adopt, at best, a budget which recognizes the structural changes that are the result of lost revenues and future liabilities, encourages the Administration to prudently develop next year's budget with the following conditions:

- Protection of public and emergency services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration review the attached statement of policies and priorities and implement those items that would boost efficiencies to increase productivity or reduce costs, that could replace existing programming, or if funding becomes available, that could be considered as new programming; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is requested to the extent practicable to include non-appropriations clauses and other similar out provisions in existing and future leases, and vendor contracts upon review of City Council; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration provide all requested plans, studies, evaluations, reviews, report submissions, program assessments, and analyses noted within this resolution below, or alternatively documentation as to why such activities were prohibitively costly, by the fourth Monday in March 2018.

- I. Promoting a vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive community that provides opportunity for personal and economic growth for residents, businesses and visitors.
  - a) The City's diverse economy generates and retains (sustains) high quality stable jobs that strengthen the sales and property tax base and contribute to an exceptional quality of life
    - (1) Economic Development The Administration should require a beautification standard/expectation and a storm water mitigation plan for all proposed development projects that receive incentives from the City. Such standards should serve as a planning and economic development tool that will enhance property values, create jobs, and revitalize neighborhoods and business areas. These standards and plan should be presented to the City Council.
  - b) The City is governed in a transparent efficient accountable and responsive manner on behalf of all citizens.
    - (1) Administration is to present to City Council a delineation of recommendations of the Financial Health Team, noting which recommendations have been implemented, which are in the FY

2018/2019 proposed Budget, which are planned to be implemented at a future time, and which have been determined not to be implemented at any time. A timetable for future implementation is requested.

- (2) Administration is to present to Council a Supplemental Accounting Level Detail. Administration is to develop a plan and timeline for the implementation of performance based budgeting.
  - (3) Develop and analyze a cost recovery schedule for City services.
  - (4) Develop a return on investment analysis for all proposed changes in City services.
  - (5) Identify and provide a complete and ongoing analysis of the City's structural deficits and the Administration's plan to eliminate the same.
  - (6) Incorporate into the proposed Budget a 5-Year projection of revenues and expenditures.
- c) The City's neighborhoods have various resources that allow them to be long term viable and appealing.
- (1) Administration research and issue a report on surrounding community models for neighborhood organization technical support structure within the City.
  - (2) Working with the City Attorney and Fire Department Code Compliance Division to expedite improvements or closure of abandoned, neglected, and burned out houses and commercial building by using the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) and adopt the latest version of the IPMC from the State of Michigan. Develop aggressive policies to deal with problematic property owners.
  - (3) Food Access: The Administration and the City of Lansing Economic Development Corporation should increase quality food access throughout the City using all incentives available.
  - (4) Code Compliance: The Administration shall ensure the Code Compliance Department is conducting the appropriate inspections and issuing appropriate fines to ensure the buildings in our City are safe and that we have quality neighborhoods. The Administration



is to conduct a study of Code Compliance to determine a level of service for first time inspections and re-inspections assuring the safety of the housing stock for residential and mobile homes.

- d) Support economic development initiatives that promote and retain new industries and markets.
- II. Securing short and long term financial stability through prudent management of City resources.
- a) Wise stewardship of financial resources results in the City's ability to meet and exceed service demands and obligations without compromising the ability of future generations to do the same.
    - (1) Administration is requested to submit the following list of deliverables when they are due per City Charter and State Statue and adhere to them based on these priorities.
      - (a) Comprehensive Annual Financial Audit (CAFR)- annually, no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, in accordance with the State Statue.
      - (b) During the months of October, January and April of each fiscal year, the Director of Finance shall provide a written report showing the control of expenditures. (Charter- Article 7-110)
      - (c) By September 1<sup>st</sup> of each fiscal year, the Administration shall provide a written budget update report so that Council can review their standings on current budget items in preparation for the Council required creation of Budget Policies and Priorities that need to be adopted by October 1, 2016 2017. (Charter- Article 7-102)
      - (d) No later than the last regular City Council meeting in January of each year, the Mayor shall present a state of the City report to the City Council and to the public. (Charter- Article 4 -102.4)
      - (e) The Mayor shall submit the Proposed Budget with annual estimate of all revenues and annual appropriation of expenditures no later than the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in March of each year. (Charter – Article 7-101)

(f) Administration shall present to Council each department budget in preparation for Council to adopt the Budget Resolution no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in May each year.

b) Pursue and facilitate shared services regionally that allow for cost savings and revenue enhancement.

(1) Administration pursue partnerships with stakeholders, (intra municipal and intergovernmental), to align services in relation to public services.

(2) Facilities Plan: The Administration is requested to submit to the City Council a five and ten year Master Facilities Plan including school and county facilities that are used for current and future City uses. City Council is also requesting that the Administration continue to work on any delayed maintenance issues with regard to all City Facilities.

c) Support initiatives that build City's property and income tax base

III. Providing reliable, efficient and quality services that are responsive to the needs of residents and businesses.

a) The City's core services and infrastructure are efficiently, effectively and strategically delivered to enable economic development and to maintain citizen's health, safety and general welfare.

(1) Establish funding for an additional Code Compliance Officer dedicated to sign enforcement, and Commercial buildings based under the authority of the IPMC. As well as an additional support staff to track down property owners that have not scheduled re-inspection and to research properties suspected of being unregistered rentals.

(2) City-wide Emergency Preparedness: The Administration should allocate sufficient funding for the Emergency Management Division to prepare City Employees with appropriate emergency training, continue efforts to prepare the public and neighborhood groups to assist in emergencies, and provide basic search and rescue operations and necessary emergency equipment at key City facilities, and communicate the plan to the Lansing City Council and the public. Updated and continual training should be provided. The

Administration shall assist residents in times of unforeseen disasters.

- (3) Fire Facilities Maintenance: The Administration is to conduct a study of the maintenance needs of all fire stations and report to City Council an update of the status of the study by the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of March. Along with a funding recommendation for short and long term improvement to these structures.
- (4) Regionalism: The Administration should continue with the current regional efforts, and look into the possibility of expanding the efforts.
- (5) Police-Community Relations: Designate funding to help the Police Department to ensure the improvement of police-community relations. Reaffirming the City's commitment to equality and freedom for all people regardless of actual or perceived race, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, color, age, height, weight, student status, marital status, familiar status, housing status, military discharge status, sexual orientation, gender identification or express, mental or physical limitation, and legal source of income.
- (6) Crime Prevention: Designate funding to invest in programs for long-term crime prevention strategies.
- (7) Allocate Overtime for Problem Solving Area: Designate sufficient funding for overtime for police officers to address problem solving to help certain crime and address quality of life issues.
- (8) Community Policing: Continue and increase funding along with searching for grant funds for COPs in neighborhoods with goal not only to reduce crime but to stabilize the neighborhood over an extended period of time that will help to ensure its ability to rebound.
- (9) Leadership vacancies: Develop and implement a plan and timeline to fill all funded vacancies and provide a report to City Council.
- (10) Front-loading of Police Officers: Continue to front-load Police Officers so that we have officers ready to take the road when officers retire.

IV. Adopting sustainable practices that protect and enhance our cultural, natural and historical resources.



- a) Seek partnership opportunities with educational and corporate institutions and to maintain and expand our talent base.
- b) Create vibrant places, support events and activities that showcase our waterfront and green spaces.
  - (1) Trail/Greenways The Administration should encourage the Parks and Recreation Department to work collaboratively with the Tri-County Planning Commission to develop/expand our citywide/regional trail system and seek opportunities to reduce expenses in this effort. Additionally, look at the feasibility of connecting the River Trail (through bike lanes/Greenways to Trails) where there is currently no access to the trail.
- c) Raise the level of support for projects and initiatives that showcase local and state history.

#### V. Facilitating regional collaboration and connecting communities

- a) The City has a safe efficient and well connected multimodal transportation system that contributes to a high quality of life and is sensitive to surrounding uses.
  - (1) Corridor: City Council encourages the Administration continue to develop a plan and report its status to the Lansing City Council that seeks to revitalize and enhance all major corridors that lead into the City.
- b) Seek a balanced distribution of affordable housing in the tri-county region.

#### VI. LANSING BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE BUDGET PRIORITIES RESOLUTION ON JULY 13, 2017

**RESOLVED, recognizing the financial challenges facing the City of Lansing ("City") and its Public Service Department ("Department"), including the Department's obligations to comply with numerous mandates, including unfunded mandates, the Lansing Board of Public Service supports the efforts of the Department.**

**RESOLVED, the Board of Public Service supports and recommends the following budget priorities to the Lansing City Council for consideration with Council's Budget Policies and Priorities for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019:**

1. General Fund levels should be increased for implementation of the City's Street System Asset Management Plan, and for additional funding for reconstructing neighborhood streets with a Pavement Surface Evaluation Rating of 4 or lower;
2. Continued implementation of the recommendations in the City's Complete Streets Ordinance, and funding of the sidewalk gap closure program, sidewalk repairs and right-of-way maintenance and improvement, consistent with keeping safety a priority;
3. Increase funding to update and improve the fleet of city vehicles, with specific priority for the Public Service Department;
4. Continued support for maintaining, keeping current and updating of the City's Cityworks Asset Management Software, consistent with legal requirements and improved efficiencies, along with other financial considerations;
5. The City should approve a budget to: (i) expand opportunities for multi-family residential and business recycling; and (ii) implement organic waste recovery;
6. Explore the establishment of a Material Recovery Facility (MRF) for the recovery of recyclable commodities; and
7. The Department's efforts to secure approval for the implementation of the Wet Weather Program, submitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in 2011.

**RESOLVED**, as the Department generates savings through improved efficiencies in service delivery and other areas, these savings should be maintained within the Department.



Chris Swope, CMMC/MMC  
Lansing City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true  
and is a complete copy of the action  
adopted by the Lansing City Council.

## TASK LIST FOR COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDEES

| Meeting Date | Meeting | Information Requested                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Attendee                                     | Response Date           |
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| 8/8/2018     | PSF     | <p><u>REQUEST</u><br/>Is the LPD offering officer training on the Human Rights Ordinance.</p> <p><u>RESPONSE</u><br/>We believe that a portion of the organization has been trained to a degree in line ups and/or in annual training 2-5 years ago, but I need to confirm with my training division. Due to the training division data base conversion and summer vacations, we are still working through the gambit of who might have the documents or knowledge of the specific training provided.</p> <p>Regardless, we have many new employees and a refresher for all is probably a good idea. We are going to add this as a training segment in our upcoming annual training (Jan-March).</p> <p>Mike</p> | Chief Yankowski                              | Via Email<br>8/23/2018  |
| 8/8/2018     | PSF     | <p><u>REQUEST</u><br/>What is the time frame given for removal of illegal signs.</p> <p><u>RESPONSE</u><br/>7 days. Yes, the initial fine is \$150, second offence is \$250 and all subsequent offences are \$500</p> <p>Susan Stachowiak</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Brian McGrain<br>S. Stachowiak<br>S. Sanford | Via Email-<br>8/8/2018  |
| 8/8/2018     | PSF     | <p><u>REQUEST</u><br/>Is there an ordinance on the books to enforce signs on utility poles and trees.</p> <p><u>RESPONSE</u><br/>If you're interested, my folks have been out, picking up signs en masse. We've carted away several additional truck loads in the past week.</p> <p>Finally, I've identified language in the Lansing Center contracts that would serve to prohibit the placement of right-of-ways signs. There doesn't seem to be any real penalty, so we're investigating what can (and can't) be attached to that.</p> <p>-Brian</p>                                                                                                                                                           | Brian McGrain<br>S. Stachowiak               | Via Email-<br>8/21/2018 |
| 8/8/2018     | PSF     | <p><u>REQUEST</u><br/>Can Granger pick up trash bins when there is a violation.</p> <p><u>RESPONSE</u></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | A Kilpatrick                                 |                         |



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|                                        |         | . The City cannot pick up their bins because they are private property, according to OCA. Granger can since they own the bins. We don't know if Granger will pick up if there is a violation because it would be voluntary. Council is welcome to request Granger to come to committee. We don't have an ordinance that allows us to ticket them if don't pick up. They do pick their bins up for non-payment.                                                         |                                              | Via Email<br>8/23/2018<br>Mayor |
| 8/8/2018                               | PSF     | <u>REQUEST</u><br>Site Inspection with building safety and the Fire Marshall at Logan Square<br>Provide a list of the violations to the Committee after the inspection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Steve Swan<br>Brian McGrain<br>Office Blake  |                                 |
| <b>Due<br/>8/22/2018</b>               |         | <u>RESPONSE</u><br>Seeking Administrative Warrant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                              | Via Email<br>8/21/2018<br>Mayor |
| 8/8/2018                               | PSF     | <u>REQUEST</u><br>Signed agreement from new owners at Pleasant Grove/Holmes by August 17th.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Joe Abood<br>Jim Smiertka                    |                                 |
| <b>Due<br/>no later than 8/17/2018</b> |         | <u>RESPONSE</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                              |                                 |
| 8/8/2018                               | PSF     | <u>REQUEST</u><br>Fire Marshall Letter of violations on Logan Square that was sent to owner with timeline response of 7 days from the date of the letter-                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Officer Blake                                |                                 |
|                                        |         | <u>RESPONSE</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                              |                                 |
| 8/8/2018                               | PSF     | <u>REQUEST</u><br>Code Compliance and Zoning provide data on 3418 and 3434 Pleasant Grove to Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Brian McGrain<br>S. Sanford<br>S. Stachowiak |                                 |
|                                        |         | <u>RESPONSE</u><br>I ran the violations written on the addresses given at the meeting and the following were found:<br>3418 Pleasant Grove:<br>2017: Trash Notice, resulted in \$1,170<br>Trash Notice, complied<br>Trash Notice, complied<br>2018: Trash, complied<br>Grass, complied<br>Board up, complied<br>The violations for 3434 Pleasant Grove are included in the list above as they are all written under the parcel's main address.<br><b>Scott Sanford</b> |                                              | Via Email<br>8/10/2018          |

## PROMISE LETTER

These promises are being made by Amarjit Singh<sup>MS</sup> to the City of Lansing, relative to the Pleasant Grove/Holmes Plaza, located in Lansing, Michigan.

I, Amarjit Singh<sup>MS</sup>, do hereby promise that upon becoming owner of the Pleasant Grove and Holmes Plaza, ("Plaza"), agree to perform the following obligations in a lawful, satisfactory, and proper manner and in accordance with the all policies, procedures, and requirements, which have been or, from time to time, may be prescribed by the City as follows:

1. Close on the sale of the Plaza and clear up liens on the titles within 90 days from June 27, 2018.
2. Install working cameras in front of all tenant spaces within <sup>60</sup>~~30~~ days of closing on the sale of the Plaza.
3. Upon closing of the sale of the Plaza, \_\_\_\_\_ will sell the Town Center portion to South West Action Group.
4. Complete parking lot repairs.
5. Effectively communicate with LPD regarding any and all inappropriate and illegal acts.
6. Upgrade lights to LED lights within the Plaza.
7. ~~Remove the concrete barriers that invite loitering, and consider other options such as bollards.~~
8. Sign and post a "No Loitering" letter.
9. Sign up for the "Scram Program."

### SIGNATURES:

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_

Acceptance, acknowledgement of receipt,  
and to place on file.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Amarjit Singh

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
James D. Smiertka  
City Attorney

8-17-18  
Date

8/17/18  
Date



**When headline grabbing mass shootings occur, we are all impacted by the heartbreaking news. However, many more people you may never hear about are also victims of gun violence...**

- More than **38,000** Americans are killed by homicides, suicides & incidental killings each year.\*
- More than **116,000** are injured by firearms annually.\*
- Gun violence is the **2nd leading cause of death** in youth 1-19 years old.\*
- More than **3,900** children ages 17 and younger are killed or injured by firearms each year. \*\*

*\*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, (2017)*

*\*\*Gun Violence Archive, (2018)*

## MCPGV Coalition Members

- Action of Greater Lansing
- American Federation of Teachers, Michigan
- Blue Water Coalition for Gun Safety, Port Huron
- Battle Creek Voices for Peace
- Brady Campaign, Michigan
- Coalition for Common Ground, Kalamazoo
- Congregation of Saint Joseph, Justice Team
- Citizens for Peace, Livonia
- East Lansing Film Festival
- Edgewood United Church of Christ, Peace & Justice Team
- Fellowship For Today, Lansing
- First Church of the Brethren, Lansing
- Greater Lansing Network Against War & Injustice
- Greater Lansing United Nations Association
- Gray Panthers of Metro Detroit
- Huntington Woods Peace, Citizenship & Edu Project
- Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sisters
- Jewish Community Relations Council, Detroit
- Michigan Education Association
- Michigan Peace Team
- Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network
- Million Mom March, Michigan
- Moms Rising, Michigan
- Mothers Against Street Killings, Grand Rapids
- National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section
- Pax Christi Michigan
- Peace Action of Michigan
- Peace & Justice Team, Edgewood United Church of Christ E. Lansing
- Peace and Justice, Red Cedar Friends Meeting, Lansing
- Peace Education Center, Lansing
- Physicians to Prevent Gun Violence, Michigan
- Quan Am Buddhist Temple, Mason
- Safe Places Alliance, Grand Rapids
- The Greater Lansing Clergy Forum
- Unitarian Universalist Church of Greater Lansing, SJC
- Women's International League for Peace & Freedom, Detroit

## The Goal of MCPGV

*is to increase public awareness of existing gun laws, as well as to advocate for the passage of new legislation aimed at reducing gun violence. Foremost on our agenda is a strong push for:*

- Universal background checks for all firearm purchases
- Child access prevention legislation
- Extreme risk protection orders
- A ban on open and concealed carry weapons in schools
- A ban on military style weapons/ammunition





Michigan Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence (MCPGV) is an affiliate of States United to Prevent Gun Violence, a national non-profit organization whose mission is to support state based gun violence prevention programs.

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*Adrian the @miff*