

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the Common Council

FROM:

Rebecca Grill, City Administrator

DATE:

July 7, 2017

RE:

Repair Order for the former Crawdaddy's building located at 6414-22 W.

Greenfield Ave.

The former Crawdaddy's building located at 6414-22 W. Greenfield Ave. currently has a repair order judgment to repair the rear/north masonry wall that is in failing and in disrepair. The repair order was sought after by the BINS Department. The Judgment to "repair the masonry wall in order to fully abate the public nuisance" was granted to the City on March 15, 2016.

On June 29, 2017, the Engineering Department received two (2) public bidding responses for the repair project. One bid was \$122,700 and the other was \$44,595; however, the lower bidder left out environmental/asbestos-required abatement, so their bid is not comparable to the higher bid. A one-week extension of time has been provided to allow the \$44,595 bidder to properly respond.

The purpose of this communication is to bring to the Common Council's attention, the upcoming expense of the court-ordered rear masonry wall repair. The repair contract will go before the Common Council for consideration at the August 1, 2017 meeting.

Various departments are completing research on whether or not the City would need to front and/or ever be "made whole" on court-ordered repair expenses. There currently is not a raze order on the property; however it is known that the City would **not** be made whole for demolition and a funding source would be needed if a raze order were ever obtained. Additional information has come to light that demolition may be a better option. A demolition estimate is forthcoming.

cc:

Ed Lisinski, Director, Building Inspections & Neighborhood Services

Peggy Steeno, Finance Director

Scott Post, City Attorney

Jenna Merten, Assistant City Attorney

John F. Stibal, Director, Department of Development