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<via electronic mail transmission>

RE: 200 and 202 E. High Street

Dear Mr. Neidert and Mr. & Mrs. Wieberg:

In regard to 200 and 202 East High St., the City appreciates the difficult situation that the past 15 months has presented for each of the parties and we are encouraged by the discussions that have taken place in the past month or so working toward a resolution. However, the City has determined we are now in a position in which it is unlikely that new information is going to be discovered about the situation and a solution needs to be identified and implemented.

Now is the time for Mr. Neidert and Mr. and Mrs. Wieberg to fully and finally collaborate to determine if a private resolution to this situation is achievable. Please note that the City is not in a position to act as a mediator or arbiter in how a private resolution is achieved; the parties need to figure this out amongst themselves.

If the parties cannot reach a mutually agreeable solution and start meaningful on-site work within a reasonable timeframe, the City will itself exercise its rights under the City's Dangerous Building Code and the Order upheld by the Cole County Circuit Court on June 6, 2019. Specifically, if meaningful on-site work to repair or demolish 202 E. High has not commenced by December 9, 2019, the City will begin its own demolition work of 200 and 202 East High St. on December 10, 2019 and such work will not stop until both buildings are demolished and the site is cleared and secured. As previously discussed, if the City undertakes this work, all available legal measures will be utilized to recover all costs incurred by the City. The City is currently in the process of securing a contractor to begin demolition work immediately after this deadline passes, if such deadline is missed.

The traveling public, downtown business community, and the people of Jefferson City have tolerated this situation long enough. It is past time for a solution, either private or public, to be implemented and for the site to be restored out of what has become a perpetual state of limbo.

Very Truly Yours,

Ryan Moehlman, City Counselor

cc: Mayor Carrie Tergin & Jefferson City Council

Steven S. Crowell, City Administrator

Sonny Sanders, Director of Planning and Protective Services

Larry Burkhardt, Building Official Manager