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December 16, 2015

Mr. Leon Kimball
1231 Pennsylvania Street
PO Box 1962
Lawrence, KS 66044

RE: December 15, 2015 Lawrence City Commission Action on Resolutions No. 7113 and 7114;
1231 Pennsylvania Street Structure and Exterior Premise Conditions

Dear Mr. Kimball:

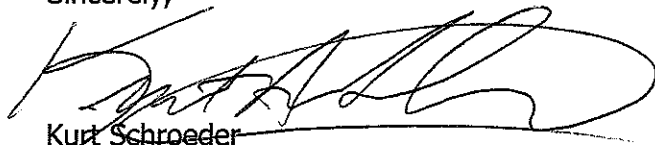
During its December 15, 2015 meeting, the Lawrence City Commission reviewed your progress toward resolving unsafe building conditions at 1231 Pennsylvania Street and removing accumulated debris, scrap and other stored items from the exterior premise. During the public hearing, your representative, Ms. Shelly Wakeman, presented your plans to: (1) remove remaining debris and scrap items from the exterior premise; (2) demolish and remove the main house structure; and (3) repair the accessory storage building/garage (structural/framing repair and new siding, as necessary), all within approximately 90 days. Ms. Wakeman also stated that doors and windows of the house would be kept secured until the house is demolished and removed, and that the chain link fence around the premise would be also maintained to impede unauthorized entry onto the property.

After closing the public hearing, the City Commission voted to allow you an additional 90 days to remove remaining accumulated debris and salvage items from the exterior premise, to demolish and remove the main house structure, and to substantially complete necessary repairs to the accessory structure. By their vote, the Commission extended the abatement deadlines set forth in Resolution Nos. 7113 and 7114, originally adopted on April 21, 2015, by an additional 90 days, or until March 18, 2016.

During and after the City Commission meeting, there was discussion as to whether you would be allowed to obtain your own permit to demolish and remove the house (in lieu of a licensed demolition contractor). For a single family building such as this, the property owner is allowed to apply for and obtain their own demolition permit, although the public utility and service lines that served the house (electric, gas, sewer and water) must be safely and properly removed, capped and/or abandoned before the demolition permit can be issued. We'll be glad to work with you, Ms. Wakeman and/or your other designated representatives to assist you through the permit application process, if you decide to perform the demolition yourself.

Please don't hesitate to contact me (or Brian Jimenez) should you have any questions or need additional information about the demolition permitting process. You (or Ms. Wakeman) can contact me at (785) 832-3117, or via email me at kschroeder@lawrenceks.org. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kurt Schroeder', written over a horizontal line.

Kurt Schroeder
Asst. Director, Planning & Development Services

CC: Ms. Shelly Wakeman
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