



Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

53B

Date July 17, 2023

ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE AT 120 E TITUS AVENUE

WHEREAS, the property located at 120 E Titus Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, was inspected by representatives of the City of Des Moines who determined that the garage structure in its present condition constitutes not only a menace to health and safety but is also a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the Titleholders, Julie A. Allen and Linda D. Allen, were notified more than thirty days ago to repair or demolish the garage structure and as of this date have failed to abate the nuisance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

The garage structure on the real estate legally described as The Southwest 1/4 of the West 1/2 of Lot 3 in SECOND ADDITION TO THOMAS HEIGHTS, an Official Plat, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, and locally known as 120 E Titus Avenue, has previously been declared a public nuisance;

The City Legal Department is hereby authorized to file an action in district court to obtain a decree ordering the abatement of the public nuisance, and should the owner(s) fail to abate the nuisance, as ordered, that the matter may be referred to the Department of Engineering which will take all necessary action to demolish and remove said garage structure.

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.
Second by \_\_\_\_\_

FORM APPROVED:

Molly E. Tracy, Assistant City Attorney

Table with 5 columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include COWNIE, BOESEN, GATTO, SHEUMAKER, MANDELBAUM, VOSS, WESTERGAARD, TOTAL, MOTION CARRIED, APPROVED, Mayor.

CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk



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# Polk County Assessor

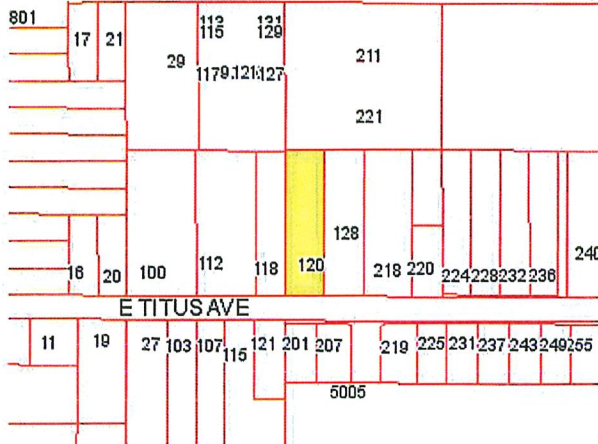
111 Court Avenue #195  
Des Moines, IA 50309-0904

(515) 286-3014 Fax (515) 286-3386  
[polkweb@assess.co.polk.ia.us](mailto:polkweb@assess.co.polk.ia.us)

Location					
<b>Address</b>	120 E TITUS AVE				
<b>City</b>	DES MOINES	<b>Zip</b>	50315	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	Des Moines
<b>District/Parcel</b>	120/05823-000-000	<b>Geoparcel</b>	7824-27-101-023	<b>Status</b>	<a href="#">Active</a>
<b>School</b>	Des Moines	<b>Nbhd/Pocket</b>	DM41/Z	<b>Tax Authority Group</b>	DEM-C-DEM-77131
<b>Submarket</b>	South Des Moines	<b>Appraiser</b>	Andrew Rand 515-286-3368		

### Map and Current Photos - 1 Record

Click on parcel to get a new listing



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### Historical Photos

*A Homestead Credit application signed by ALLEN, LINDA was received on 2023-03-15.*

### Ownership - 2 Records

Ownership	Num	Name	Recorded	Book/Page
Title Holder	1	ALLEN, LINDA D	2023-02-01	<a href="#">19386/948</a>
Title Holder	2	ALLEN, JULIE A	2023-02-01	<a href="#">19386/948</a>

### Legal Description and Mailing Address

W 82.5F S 305.3F LOT 3 THOMAS HEIGHTS 2ND ADD

LINDA DIANE ALLEN  
120 E TITUS AVE  
DES MOINES, IA 50315-4141

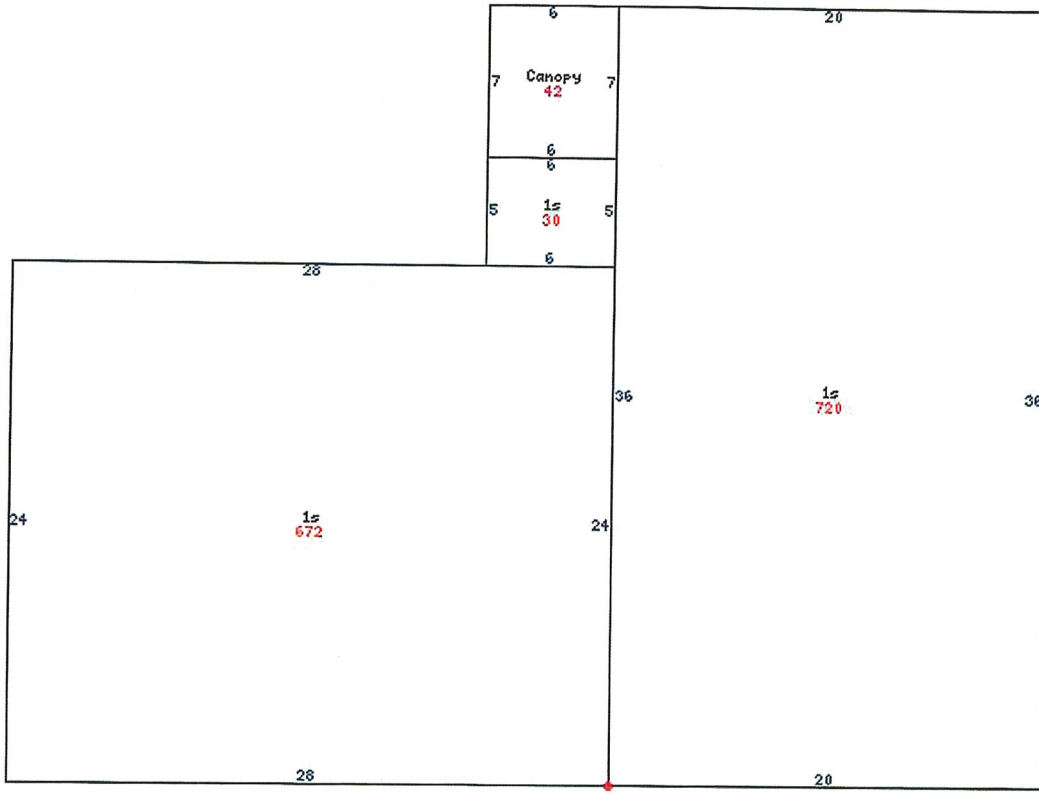
### Current Values

Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2023 Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$45,500	\$76,100	\$121,600
2022 Value	Residential	Full	\$37,400	\$60,400	\$97,800

[Assessment Roll Notice](#) [Market Adjusted Cost Report](#)

## Auditor Adjustments to Value

Category		Name		Information	
<a href="#">2022 Homestead Credit</a>		ALLEN, DAVID P		Application #5168	
<b>Zoning - 1 Record</b>					
Zoning	Description		SF	Assessor Zoning	
N3A	N3a Neighborhood District			Residential	
<i>City of Des Moines Community Development Planning and Urban Design 515 283-4182 (2012-03-20)</i>					
<b>Land</b>					
Square Feet	25,162	Acres	0.578	Frontage	82.0
Depth	305.0	Topography	Normal	Shape	Rectangle
Vacancy	No	Unbuildable	No		
<b>Residences - 1 Record</b>					
<b>Residence #1</b>					
Occupancy	Single Family	Residence Type	1 Story	Building Style	Ranch
Year Built	1949	Number Families	1	Grade	4-05
Condition	Below Normal	Total Square Foot Living Area	1422	Main Living Area	1422
Canopy Square Foot	42	Foundation	Poured Concrete	Exterior Wall Type	Hardboard
Roof Type	Gable	Roof Material	Asphalt Shingle	Heating	Gas Forced Air
Air Conditioning	100	Number Bathrooms	1	Bedrooms	2
Rooms	5				



**Detached Structures - 3 Records**

**Detached Structure #101**

Occupancy	Garage	Construction Type	Frame	Measurement Code	Dimensions
Measure 1	14	Measure 2	20	Story Height	1
Grade	4	Year Built	1949	Condition	Very Poor

**Detached Structure #201**

Occupancy	Garage	Construction Type	Frame	Measurement Code	Dimensions
Measure 1	35	Measure 2	30	Grade	5
Year Built	1960	Condition	Very Poor		
Comment	AGE EST				

**Detached Structure #202**

Occupancy	Lean-to Closed on All Sides	Construction Type	Frame	Measurement Code	Dimensions
Measure 1	18	Measure 2	20	Grade	5
Year Built	1960	Condition	Very Poor		
Comment	AGE EST				

**Recent Ownership Transfers**

Grantor	Grantee	Instrument Date	Recording Date	Instrument Type	Book/Pg
ALLEN, LINDA DIANE	ALLEN, LINDA DIANE ALLEN, JULIE ANN	2023-01-31	2023-02-01	Quit Claim Deed	<a href="#">19386/948</a>
ALLEN, LINDA DIANE ALLEN, DAVID PORTER	ALLEN, LINDA DIANE	2023-01-31	2023-02-01	Affidavit of Surviving Spouse	<a href="#">19386/946</a>

**Permits - 7 Records**

Year	Type	Permit Status	Application	Reason	Reason1
Current	Permit	Pass	2022-10-19	Alterations	GARAGE
2010	Pickup	Complete	2009-07-06	Correct Data	GARAGE
1992	Permit	No Add	1987-02-23		Addition
1991	Permit	Partial	1987-02-23		Addition
1990	Permit	Partial	1987-02-23		New Garage
1989	Permit	Pass	1987-02-23		New Garage
1988	Permit	Partial	1987-02-23		New Garage

**Historical Values**

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2021	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$37,400	\$60,400	\$97,800
2019	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$32,800	\$53,900	\$86,700
2019	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$32,800	\$59,400	\$92,200
2017	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$28,900	\$53,000	\$81,900
2017	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$28,900	\$53,000	\$81,900
2015	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$26,200	\$49,500	\$75,700
2015	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$26,200	\$49,500	\$75,700
2013	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$24,300	\$47,100	\$71,400
2011	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$25,500	\$49,800	\$75,300
2010	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$27,200	\$53,000	\$80,200
2009	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$27,200	\$50,700	\$77,900
2009	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$27,200	\$64,500	\$91,700
2007	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$28,200	\$49,300	\$77,500
2005	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$24,500	\$46,700	\$71,200
2003	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$22,160	\$42,530	\$64,690
2003	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$22,160	\$48,450	\$70,610
2001	<a href="#">Board Action</a>	Residential	Full	\$17,260	\$42,730	\$59,990
2001	<a href="#">Assessment Roll</a>	Residential	Full	\$17,260	\$42,730	\$59,990

Yr	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
1999	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$6,650	\$24,700	\$31,350
1997	Board Action	Residential	Full	\$6,180	\$22,960	\$29,140
1997	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$6,180	\$22,960	\$29,140
1995	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$5,440	\$20,200	\$25,640
1993	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$4,730	\$17,560	\$22,290
1991	Board Action	Residential	Full	\$4,730	\$16,700	\$21,430
1991	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$4,730	\$16,700	\$21,430
1990	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	\$4,730	\$14,200	\$18,930

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City of Des Moines  
400 Robert D. Ray Drive  
Des Moines, IA 50309

Case Number: NUIS-2022-000194	
<b>Notice of Violation</b>	Case Type: Public Nuisance
	Case Opened: 09/09/2022
	Date of Notice: 03/28/2023
Date of Inspection: 03/13/2023	

JULIE A ALLEN  
1427 E BELL AVE  
DES MOINES IA 50320

Address of Property: 120 E TITUS AVE, DES MOINES IA 50315  
Parcel Number: 782427101023

Legal Description: W 82.5F S 305.3F LOT 3 THOMAS HEIGHTS 2ND ADD

Upon inspection of the property located at and locally known as the Address of Property shown above, located in Des Moines, Iowa, ("Property"), there was/were found to be violation(s) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa. It has been determined from that inspection that the dwelling currently constitutes a danger to health and safety to the public and is a public nuisance.

We are notifying you that you have the time set out in this notice (below under "Compliance Due Date") to abate the following violation(s) and complete the required remedial action.

**VIOLATION(S)**

Violation	Corrective Action	Compliance Due Date
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<p><b>60-192(1) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise</b>  Any portion of a building, structure or appurtenance that has been damaged by fire, earthquake, wind, flood, deterioration, neglect, abandonment, vandalism or by any other cause to such an extent that it is likely to partially or completely collapse, or to become detached or dislodged.</p>	<p>Repair or replace any door, aisle, passageway, stairway, exit, or other means of egress that does not conform to the approved building or fire code.</p> <p>GARAGE THROUGHOUT</p> <p>*REPAIR AND REPLACE ANY AND ALL DAMAGED EXTERIOR DOORS AND DOOR JAMS AND MUST BE IN GOOD WORKING ORDER. PERMIT REQUIRED FOR REPLACEMENT OF ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS.</p> <p>*REPAIR OR REPLACE DAMAGE DECKING, RAILING, JOIST, BEAMS, HANDRAIL, AND STAIRS. PERMIT REQUIRED FOR REPLACEMENT OF ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS.</p>	10/21/2022

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<p><b>60-192(3) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise</b>  The building or structure, or any portion thereof, is clearly unsafe for its use and occupancy.</p>	<p>Repair or replace any portion of a building, structure or appurtenance that has been damaged by fire, earthquake, wind, flood, deterioration, neglect, abandonment, vandalism or by any other cause to such an extent that it is likely to partially or completely collapse, or to become detached or dislodged.</p> <p>GARAGE THROUGHOUT</p> <p>*REPAIR/REPLACE ANY MISSING, ROTTED OR DAMAGED WINDOWS/WINDOW FRAMES. ANY REPAIRS TO THE STRUCTURE WILL REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT.</p> <p>*SCRAPE LOOSE PAINT, REPAIR WHERE NEEDED AND PAINT TO MATCH.</p> <p>*REPAIR/REPLACE ANY BROKEN, MISSING, DAMAGED OR ROTTED DRYWALL/PANELING/WALL COVERING. ANY REPAIRS TO THE STRUCTURE WILL REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT.</p> <p>*REPAIR/REPLACE ALL DAMGED AND/OR MISSING GUTTERS, SOFFITS AND FASCIA.</p>	10/21/2022

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<p><b>60-192(4) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise</b>  The building or structure is neglected, damaged, dilapidated, unsecured or abandoned so as to become an attractive nuisance to children who might play in the building or structure to their danger, becomes a harbor for vagrants, criminals or immoral persons, or enables persons to resort to the building or structure for committing a nuisance or an unlawful act.</p>	<p>Repair or replace any portion of a building, or any member, appurtenance, or ornamentation on the exterior of the structure that is not of sufficient strength or stability, or is not so anchored, attached or fastened in place so as to be capable of resisting natural or artificial loads of one and one-half the original designed value.</p> <p>GARAGE THROUGHOUT</p> <p>*REPLACE ANY DAMAGED ROOFING MATERIAL. PER CITY CODE SHINGLES LIMITED TO ONE LAYER. ANY STRUCTURAL REPAIRS WILL REQUIRE A PERMIT</p> <p>*REPAIR/REPLACE ANY BROKEN, MISSING, DAMAGED OR ROTTED SIDING. ANY REPAIRS TO THE STRUCTURE WILL REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT.</p> <p>*OBTAIN FINAL ON PERMIT TO REPAIR OR REPLACE OF ANY DAMAGED OR MISSING EXTERIOR WALLS.</p>	10/21/2022
<p><b>60-192(5) - Unsafe and Dangerous Structure or Premise</b>  Any portion of a building or structure remaining on site after the demolition or destruction of the building or structure or whenever building or structure is abandoned so as to constitute such building or portion thereof as an attractive nuisance or hazard to the public.</p>	<p>Repair or replace the building or structure, or part of a structure which is likely to partially or completely collapse because of dilapidation, deterioration, decay, faulty construction, the removal of movement of some portion of the ground necessary for the support, or for any other reason, or some portion of the foundation or underpinning of the building or structure is likely to fail or give way.</p> <p>GARAGE THROUGHOUT</p> <p>*FOUNDATION NEEDS ENGINEERS REPORT. REPAIR PER ENGINEER'S REPORT. BUILDING PERMIT MAY BE REQUIRED.</p>	10/21/2022
<p><b>60-194 - Defacing and Removing Placard</b>  No person shall deface or remove the placard, except as authorized by the administrator.</p>	<p>Replace or restore defaced or removed placard.</p>	10/21/2022

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If not occupied, the structure is to remain vacant and unoccupied until occupancy is authorized by this office.

If the structure is occupied, it must be **vacated immediately**. If procedures to vacate the premises are not undertaken immediately upon receipt of this notice, and in no case later than seven (7) days, the City may seek a court order directing you to vacate the structure, pursuant to Section 60-191 and 60-192 of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

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If you plan to renovate the structure and it has been vacant for over a year, there may be zoning issues, which may affect the renovation plans. Please contact the Development Zoning Division at (515) 283-4207 to determine if there is anything you should be aware of.

If you decide to demolish the building or take the structure down, you will need a demolition permit.

If you cannot renovate or demolish the structure, contact me to discuss allowing the City to remove the structure. There will be costs billed out to you and possibly a judgment. It may be cheaper for you to remove the structure yourself.

If you no longer own this property, please let us know.

Unpaid costs may be collected by personal judgment, collection, or assessment to be collected as a property tax.

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Should you have any questions, feel free to call. I can usually be reached between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Thank you for your help,

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Clauson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scott Clauson  
Neighborhood Inspector  
Neighborhood Services  
602 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, IA 50309  
(515) 669-8231  
SAClauson@dmgov.org



**City of Des Moines**  
 400 Robert D. Ray Drive  
 Des Moines, IA 50309

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**60-192(1) - Dangerous Structure or Premise - Door, Stairway, Exit**

For the purpose of this article, any structure or premise that has any or all of the conditions or defects described below shall be considered dangerous and a public nuisance:

(1) Any door, aisle, passageway, stairway, exit or other means of egress that does not conform to the approved building or fire code of the jurisdiction as related to the requirements for existing buildings.

Repair or replace any door, aisle, passageway, stairway, exit, or other means of egress that does not conform to the approved building or fire code.

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**60-192(3) - Dangerous Structure or Premise - Damaged**

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(3) Any portion of a building, structure or appurtenance that has been damaged by fire, earthquake, wind, flood, deterioration, neglect, abandonment, vandalism or by any other cause to such an extent that it is likely to partially or completely collapse, or to become detached or dislodged.

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**60-192(4) - Dangerous Structure or Premise - Insufficient Strength or Stability**

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\*OBTAIN FINAL ON PERMIT TO REPAIR OR REPLACE OF ANY DAMAGED OR MISSING EXTERIOR WALLS.

**60-192(5) - Dangerous Structure or Premise - Dilapidated or Deteriorated**

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If the structure is occupied, it must be **vacated immediately**. If procedures to vacate the premises are not undertaken immediately upon receipt of this notice, and in no case later than seven (7) days, the City may seek a court order directing you to vacate the structure, pursuant to Section 60-191 and 60-192 of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa.

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If you plan to renovate the structure and it has been vacant for over a year, there may be zoning issues, which may affect the renovation plans. Please contact the Development Zoning Division at (515) 283-4207 to determine if there is anything you should be aware of.

If you decide to demolish the building or take the structure down, you will need a demolition permit.

If you cannot renovate or demolish the structure, contact me to discuss allowing the City to remove the structure. There will be costs billed out to you and possibly a judgment. It may be cheaper for you to remove the structure yourself.

If you no longer own this property, please let us know.

Unpaid costs may be collected by personal judgment, collection, or assessment to be collected as a property tax.

Should you have any questions, feel free to call. I can usually be reached between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Thank you for your help,

Respectfully,

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