REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: 6-29-09 Item No.: 12.d

Department Approval

City Manager Approval

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Item Description: Community Development Department Request to Perform a City

Abatement for Unresolved Violation of City Code at 2178 Cohansey

Boulevard.

BACKGROUND

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• The subject property is a rented single family home.

- The current owner is listed as Khai Hong Lim and Shu Ping Teoh of Maplewood, Minnesota.
- Notice was sent May 28, 2009, requesting violations be corrected.
- Current violations include:

• Junk and construction debris behind fence (a violation of City Code Section 407.02.D and 407.03.H).

- Fence maintenance requires repair and painting (a violation of City Code Section 402.04.J and 906.05.C).
- Garbage in front yard (a violation of City Code Section 407.02.D).
- Inoperable, unlicensed blue van in driveway (a violation of City Code Section 407.02.D).
- A status update, including pictures, will be provided at the public hearing.

14 POLICY OBJECTIVE

- The City goals within the Comprehensive Plan are to protect and improve property values (Goal 3, 4,
- and 5; page 6 and, Section 3) and to adhere to performance standards which protect the integrity of the
- housing units and the neighborhood (Policy 6, page 8, Section 3).

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

19 City Abatement:

An abatement would encompass the following:

- Removal of junk, debris, and garbage:
 - o Approximately \$1,200.00
- Fence painting and repair:

- o Approximately \$800.00
 - Impounding the van.
 - o Approximately \$0.00
 - Total: Approximately \$2,000.00.

In the short term, costs of the abatement will be paid out of the HRA budget, which has allocated \$100,000 for abatement activities. The property owner will then be billed for actual and administrative costs. If charges are not paid, staff is to recover costs as specified in Section 407.07B. Costs will be reported to Council following the abatement.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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Staff recommends that the Council direct Community Development staff to abate the above referenced public nuisance violations at 2178 Cohansey Boulevard.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Direct Community Development staff to abate the above referenced public nuisance violation at 2178
Cohansey Boulevard by hiring a general contractor to remove the junk/debris, schedule the impounding
of the vehicles, and repair and repaint the fence. The property owner will then be billed for actual and
administrative costs. If charges are not paid, staff is to recover costs as specified in Section 407.07B.
Costs will be reported to Council following the abatement.

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Attachments: A: Map of 2178 Cohansey Boulevard.

