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Subject: Nuisance Violation Debris Accumulated in the Open

Dear Mr. Erickson,

This letter is to inform you of the next steps regarding the nuisance violation for debris accumulated in the open pursuant to Chapter 6, Article 2, Section 28(7)(B) of the Maple Plain City Code.

At the May 26, 2026, City Council Business Meeting, the Maple Plain City Council will hold a hearing to consider the abatement of accumulated debris located at 1409 Halgren Road and possible action under Chapter 6, Article 2, Section 33, Abatement of Nuisance by City Council.

A background and basis for abatement:

- On April 27, 2026, City staff observed debris stored in the open at the property located at 1409 Halgren Road. Following an inspection, staff determined the property was in violation of City Code Section 6-28(7)(B), which prohibits the accumulation of garbage or refuse in the open.
- On April 27, 2026, the City issued a Notice of Nuisance Violation with a compliance deadline of May 11, 2026. In accordance with City Code Section 1-21(a)(1), you had the right to contest the violation and request a hearing before the City Council on or before the correction deadline.
- On May 12, 2026, City staff conducted a reinspection and confirmed that the debris remained on the property. No hearing request was received, and the violation had not been corrected.
- As of the date of this letter, the City has not received verification that the required corrective actions have been completed.

Hearing Information

A hearing before the Maple Plain City Council has been scheduled as follows:

- Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2026
- Time: 7:00 p.m.

- Location: Maple Plain City Hall

The purpose of this hearing is for the City Council to consider the abatement of 1409 Halgren Road of accumulated debris in the open.

Hearing Process

At the hearing:

- The Code Enforcement Official will present the inspection history, documented violations of City Code, and the recommendation for abatement.
- You, or your designated representative, will have the opportunity to appear and be heard. You may present information, documentation, or testimony regarding the condition of the property and any corrective actions taken.
- The City Council will consider all information presented. Formal rules of evidence do not apply.

Following the hearing, the City Council will make findings and issue a written decision.

Penalties and Enforcement Consequences

The owner of any property on which a nuisance has been abated by the City may be held personally liable for all costs associated with the abatement, including administrative costs. Once the work has been completed and the total cost determined, the City Administrator or other authorized official will prepare and mail an invoice to the property owner. Payment will be due immediately upon receipt.

The City's intent is to ensure that properties are maintained in a safe and compliant manner consistent with community health and safety standards. Prompt correction of the violation may affect the recommendation or outcome of the hearing.

If you have questions regarding the hearing, compliance requirements, or wish to submit documentation prior to the hearing date, please contact City Hall.

Respectfully,



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What should you expect for the May 26, 2026 hearing?

Hearing Process - The following sequence will guide the Council's conduct of the hearing:

- **Call to Order and Introduction:** The Mayor or Presiding Officer will open the hearing, explain the process, and outline expectations for decorum and time limits.
- **Staff Presentation:** City staff will summarize the City's findings, provide background information, applicable code references, and outline the rationale for the original decision or enforcement action.
- **Property Owners Presentation:** The property owner will have the opportunity to present their evidence, testimony, and any supporting documentation relevant. The property owner may be asked clarifying questions by the Council following their presentation.
- **Council Questions:** Councilmembers may direct questions to both staff and the property owner to ensure understanding of the facts, context, and applicable standards.
- **Conclusion of Property Owners Presentation:** Once questions are complete, the a property owner's portion of the hearing is closed. The property owner will return to their seat and may not offer further comment unless requested by the Council for clarification.
- **Council Deliberation and Discussion:** The City Council will deliberate openly, debate the matter as necessary, and discuss the situation among themselves. Staff may be called upon to clarify factual or procedural questions.
- **Council Determination:** After discussion, the Council will make a ruling by motion.
 - **The ruling may:** Affirm the City's findings, modify the findings or required actions, or overturn the City's findings in whole or in part.
 - **Council Guidance:** The Council will also provide guidance on the next course of action, including timelines for compliance, corrective steps, or further review if applicable.

Post-Hearing Actions

- **Notification of Decision:** The Council will make a ruling at the hearing and provide a written summary of the Council's decision to the property owner following the meeting.