

City of Sedgwick
City Council Meeting
August 5, 2026

TO: Mayor and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: Resolution 08052026A – Distressed Property 305 N. Jackson

INITIATED BY: Administration

AGENDA: New Business

Background: The property located at 305 N. Jackson has been experiencing façade failures since 2022. Staff has been working with the property owner, Joe Mitchem, to develop a timeline of remediation. Until recently, it was the intention of the property owner to have someone come in and make façade repairs to facility. That has since changed due to not being able to find a suitable contractor willing to take on the job.

Analysis: Mr. Mitchem agrees that the structure needs to come down if it is not going to be repaired and has begun the process of cleaning out the building. He has asked that the City move forward with the distressed property hearing to set a date and time to discuss his intentions with the property.

Financial Considerations: The financial cost to the city is minimal and includes staff time to prepare the resolution and publication costs.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Governing Body approve Resolution 08052026A as presented.



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RESOLUTION NO. 08052026A

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEDGWICK, KANSAS FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR SHOW CAUSE HEARING PURSUANT TO THE SEDGWICK CITY CODE CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 8-507 ET.SEQ. ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SEDGWICK, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Sedgwick, Kansas is authorized to cause the repair or removal of certain structures located within the City which may have become unsafe or dangerous.

WHEREAS the governing body does allow for temporary exemptions from such a general prohibition by resolution lawfully approved by majority vote of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, an inspection report has been received by the duly authorized building inspector for the City of Sedgwick, Kansas and filed with the City of Sedgwick on May 18, 2026, referencing possible unsafe or dangerous conditions of structure(s) including a residence and certain accessory structures on property which is located within the City of Sedgwick, Kansas described as follows:

Legal Description:

Part of Lot Twenty-nine (29), all of Lots Thirty-one (31) and Thirty-three (33) on Jackson Avenue (the platted width of these lots being 50.00 feet and pro-rated width of 50.40 feet on the East and 50.46 feet on the West sides), Original Town of Sedgwick, Harvey County, Kansas, described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast Corner of Lot Twenty-three (23), on Jackson Avenue; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 25 seconds West (assumed) along the West line of said Jackson Avenue for a distance of 179.25 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 27 seconds West for a distance of 132.00 feet to a point on the West line of said Lot 29; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 02 seconds West along said West line 122.72 feet to the Northwest Corner of said Lot 33; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 53 seconds East 132 feet to the Northeast Corner of said Lot 33; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 25 seconds East (assumed) 123.24 feet along the West line of Jackson Avenue to the point of beginning; TOGETHER with that part of Lot Thirty (30) on Railroad Avenue, lying East of the right of way of the AT&SF Railroad and adjacent to the previously described legal description.

**Commonly known by Street Address as:
305 N. Jackson Avenue,
Sedgwick, Kansas**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF
SEDGWICK, KANSAS:**

That the Governing Body has, pursuant to Sedgwick City Code Chapter 8, Article 5, Section 8-507 et.seq., as duly adopted by the City of Sedgwick, Kansas, hereby authorized the fixing of a time and place for hearing at which the owner, his agent, any lienholders of record, and any occupant of such structure(s) may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished. The time and place of hearing is hereby established as October 7, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., at the Sedgwick City Hall, 520 N. Commercial Ave., Sedgwick, Kansas 67135.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution shall be published once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks on the same day of each week. A copy of this resolution shall be mailed by certified mail within three (3) days after its publication to each owner, agent, lienholder and occupant at his, her, or its last known address and that any owner who is a Kansas resident shall be personally served within three (3) days after publication in lieu of mailing the same.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Sedgwick, Harvey County, Kansas this 5th day of August 2026.

Bryan Chapman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelia Agee, City Clerk