

City of St. Helens
RESOLUTION NO. 2068

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT UNSAFE STRUCTURES EXIST UPON
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 59974 BONNEY LANE AND DIRECTING THAT NOTICE
TO ABATE THE NUISANCE BE POSTED ON SAID PREMISES

WHEREAS, St. Helens Municipal Code (SHMC) Section 8.14.040(1) provides that “When a structure or equipment is found by an enforcement official to be unsafe, unfit for human occupancy, or otherwise unlawful, such structure or equipment is in violation of this chapter and a nuisance which shall be abated as set forth in SHMC 8.12.220 through 8.12.290, SHMC Chapter 15.20, or such other methods of code compliance or nuisance abatement as are provided by law or the code;” and

WHEREAS, St. Helens Municipal Code (SHMC) Section 8.14.040(4) provides that a structure is unfit for human occupancy whenever the building official finds that such structure is unsafe, unlawful or, because of the degree to which the structure is in disrepair or lacks maintenance, is insanitary, vermin or rat infested, contains filth and contamination, or lacks ventilation, illumination, sanitary or heating facilities or other essential equipment required by this chapter, or because the location of the structure constitutes a hazard to the occupants of the structure or to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF ST. HELENS RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The structures located at 59974 Bonney Lane, St. Helens, Oregon 97051, constitute a nuisance under SHMC Chapter 8.14.040(4), due to the lack of potable water creating an insanitary condition for the occupants and the public. The structure(s) was previously posted as uninhabitable but that posting has not resolved the problem of persons occupying the premises without legal, potable water.

Section 2. Council hereby directs that the premises as described in Section 1 to be vacated until such time that legal, potable water service is restored. Any person(s) found occupying the building prior to a legal, potable water service being restored will be subject to a citation pursuant to SHMC 8.12.260.

Section 3. The City Recorder shall cause a copy of said notice to be forwarded by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the person in charge of the property at the last known address of such person. That notice shall contain all the elements listed in paragraph 2, supra, that is, the posting. If the person responsible for the nuisance is not the owner, an additional notice shall be sent to the owner, stating that the cost of abatement not paid by the person responsible may be assessed to and become a lien on the property.

Approved and adopted by the City Council on March 18, 2026, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Jennifer Massey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Payne, City Recorder