

**State of Minnesota  
County of Watonwan**

**RESOLUTION NO. 04.26.10**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPERTY INSPECTION PROGRAM POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. James is responsible for protecting the public health, safety, and general welfare of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes the importance of maintaining safe, sanitary, and structurally sound buildings and properties within the community; and

**WHEREAS**, hazardous, unsanitary, or structurally deficient buildings and nuisance conditions can negatively impact public safety, property values, and overall quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to implement a formal inspection program to systematically and consistently identify and address such conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Inspection Program provides for both routine and complaint-based inspections and establishes procedures consistent with applicable city ordinances and Minnesota law; and

**WHEREAS**, the program affirms the City's commitment to protecting property rights by requiring appropriate legal authorization, including warrants or court orders, when consent for inspection is not granted.

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA**, that the City hereby adopts the Property Inspection Program. The Property Inspection Program shall be filed with the City Clerk-Treasurer.

Adopted by the City Council this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2026.

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Christopher Whitehead, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kathy Grothem, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer