

## **AGENDA REQUEST**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

FROM: Logan, Ben

**DATE** March 14, 2024

SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING AS SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY

LOCATED AT 418 SOUTH SPRING STREET (GRAVLEE BUILDING)

## **Request:**

The building located at 218 South Spring Street was purchased by the city on August 13, 2020. At that time, the city intended the property to be sold and redeveloped along with other nearby properties that had also been purchased. After ongoing attempts to market the building and/or lot, the city has identified the primary impediment to sale and redevelopment has been the prohibitive cost to a prospective developer to rehabilitate the building. The passage of 3 1/2 years has only served to contribute to the structure's deterioration. In the case of either sale or demolition of the building, asbestos testing has been conducted, and abatement will be needed.

This building has ceased to be used for municipal purposes, and the city desires to demolish the building and sell the remaining lot. It is believed the lot will be more marketable, and its sale will lead to the original goal of redeveloping this area. This request is to declare the building no longer needed for municipal purposes, conduct the necessary asbestos abatement necessary to demolish and demolish same.