

Hello.

We have been informed that the previous owners of the property at **1851 North 2nd Street** are making another attempt to get it back from the City, and the request goes before the Judiciary & Legislative Committee on Monday, 10/3. **We are writing you to share our concerns with hope that you'll help fight to deny their request.**

Here are the concerns we shared when the previous owners' request was first denied:

- Broken windows, missing windows, boarded up doors, dilapidated garage, etc.
- Negligence on upkeep of yard and snow removal.
- Because of the poor condition of the home, it is a magnet for litter, vandalism, rodents, etc.
- We caught one of their carpenters tapping into our electricity because the owner did not have electricity supplied to the home.
- We spoke to a few of the hired carpenters and contractors who complained the owner failed to pay them.
- We've witnessed individuals loitering and (we believe) illegally entering the home.
- We've witnessed individuals entering the home removing cabinetry, piping, and other fixtures. Apparently on order from the owner.
- We spoke to the supposed owners on several occasions who repeatedly lied about their plans and progress with the home. Each year they told us the home would be renovated soon. Obviously that has never happened.
- The owners are (or were) severely delinquent on their taxes, owing over \$40,000 in back taxes.
- It is our understanding that Tim Brophy is (or was) somehow involved. As you probably know, this individual is the definition of 'slumlord.' And it is common knowledge that his cohorts (i.e., Scott Lurie) are also known to have questionable principles and integrity.
- It is also our understanding that these same individuals are involved with other nuisance properties in our neighborhood on North 2nd Street.

It was quite clear that the owners had zero intention of renovating the home to an acceptable and livable condition. Since the owners' request was first denied and the City took possession, we have enjoyed watching the awesome improvements the City has already done. After so many years of neglect, the home is finally showing its beautiful potential and begs for a responsible home owner.

We have lived directly next door to this property for over 7 years. It's been a nuisance and eyesore for our beloved Brewers Hill neighborhood. We recently welcomed a new baby girl and plan to raise our family in our current home, so it's especially important that our neighborhood is a safe and pleasant place to live.

We know you will take our concerns seriously and do the right thing (again) when reviewing this case. Let's keep the positive momentum going with what the City has already done and plans to do, and make this home a vibrant corner of our community.

Thank you.

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