

# Historic Preservation Commission

October 21, 2021

Presentation

# Draft FY 2023 Work Plan



# FY 22 Highlights

- Working on nomination of Bever Woods to National Register
- Reconvening Historic Asset Inventory Sub-Committee
- Working with SaveCR Heritage to preserve a target property



# FY 23– Workplan

- **Goal 1 – Participate in preservation, salvage, and documentation of historic structures**
  - Establish Historic Asset Inventory 2022 Focus Properties
  - Implement proactive preservation strategies on at least four 2022 Focus Properties
  - Complete Bever Woods National District Nomination
  - Facilitate the designation of at least two properties as Local Historic Landmarks
  - Designate the Paramount Theatre as a Local Historic Landmark (in addition to the two other local landmark designation).
  - Create a new priority list of areas to intensive survey.



# FY 23– Workplan

- **Goal 2 – Increase Communication**
  - Continue to improve the HPC website for ease of use and to provide more information
- **Goal 3 – Improve Public Relations**
  - Identify outreach events with community organizations that may be interested in historic preservation.
- **Goal 4 – Provide information and educational opportunities for the public**
  - Update the content of the GIS database of historic properties
  - Complete River History Sign Project
  - Provide presentation to the Cedar Rapids Area Association of Realtors on historic preservation topics
  - Expand training opportunities to other City Departments that often work with the Historic Preservation Commission (Development Services, Parks, etc.)
- **Goal 5 – Provide educational opportunities for HPC members**
  - Provide training to the Historic Preservation Commission

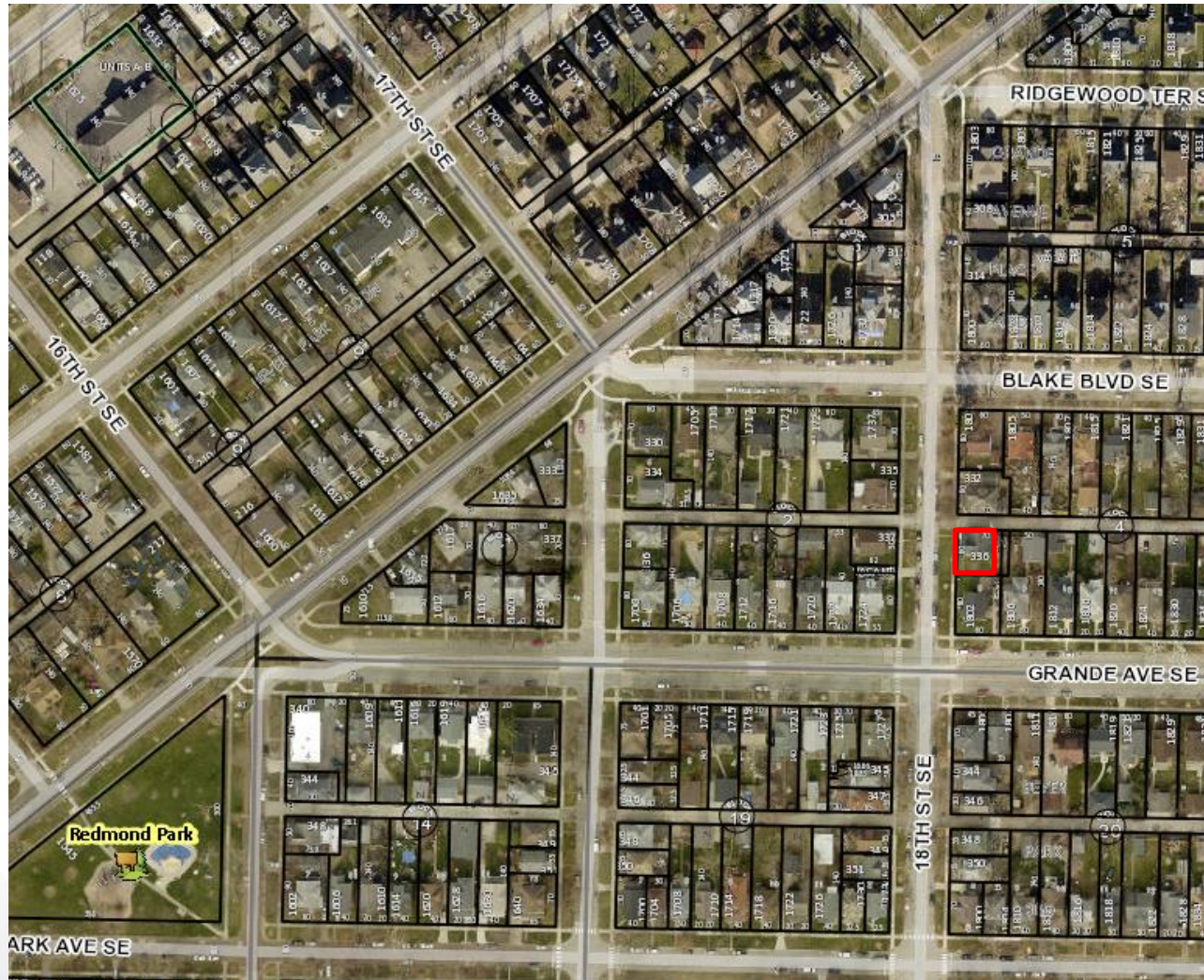


Certificate of Appropriateness

# 336 18<sup>th</sup> Street SE – Soffit



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# Project Description

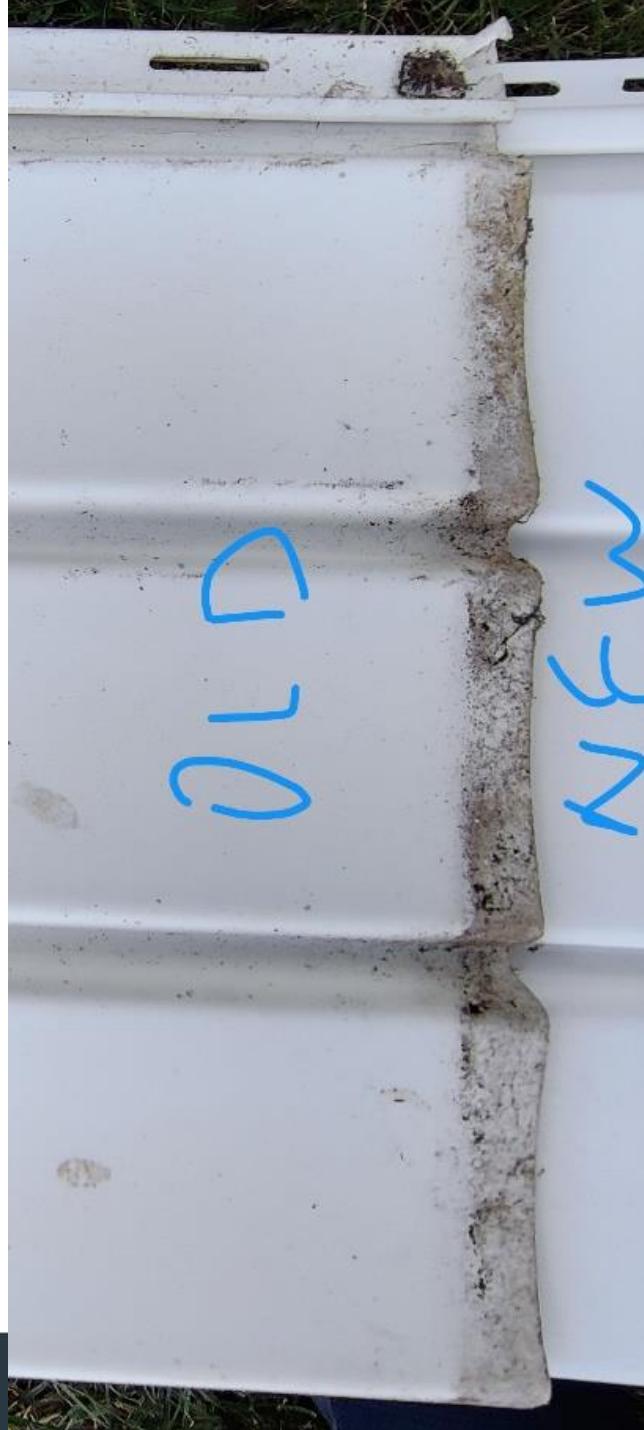
The applicant would like to replace existing aluminum soffit damaged in the 2020 Derecho with matching new aluminum material.



# Project Description

- The home was built in 1909
- It is in the Redmond Park – Grande Avenue Historic District
- It is contributing and individually eligible





# Defining Features

- Side-gable roof with single steeply pitched pent-gable wall dormer projecting over porch at right side of front; medium width siding-lower and square-cut shingles-upper; low hipped roof front porch extends across front and around north side above pair of windows; porch has piers extending to ground; balustrade has wide board balusters with scroll-cut diamond designs narrowly spaced with matching vertical board design in porch skirting; windows are double-hung with entrance off-center; round arched double-hung with multi-light upper sash and key stone in pent gable peak



# Design Guidelines

## APPROPRIATE:



- Soffit, fascia, trim boards, and details should be maintained by painting and proper gutter functioning.
- Soffit, fascia boards, trim and details deteriorated beyond repair should be replaced with boards that match the originals.

## NOT APPROPRIATE:



- Original Soffit, fascia, trim boards and details should not be removed.
- Covering the soffit and fascia with synthetic materials such as aluminum or plastic.



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for replacing the Derecho damaged soffit because they are matching, like-for-like, the style and material. This aligns with past Commission decisions related to the Derecho.

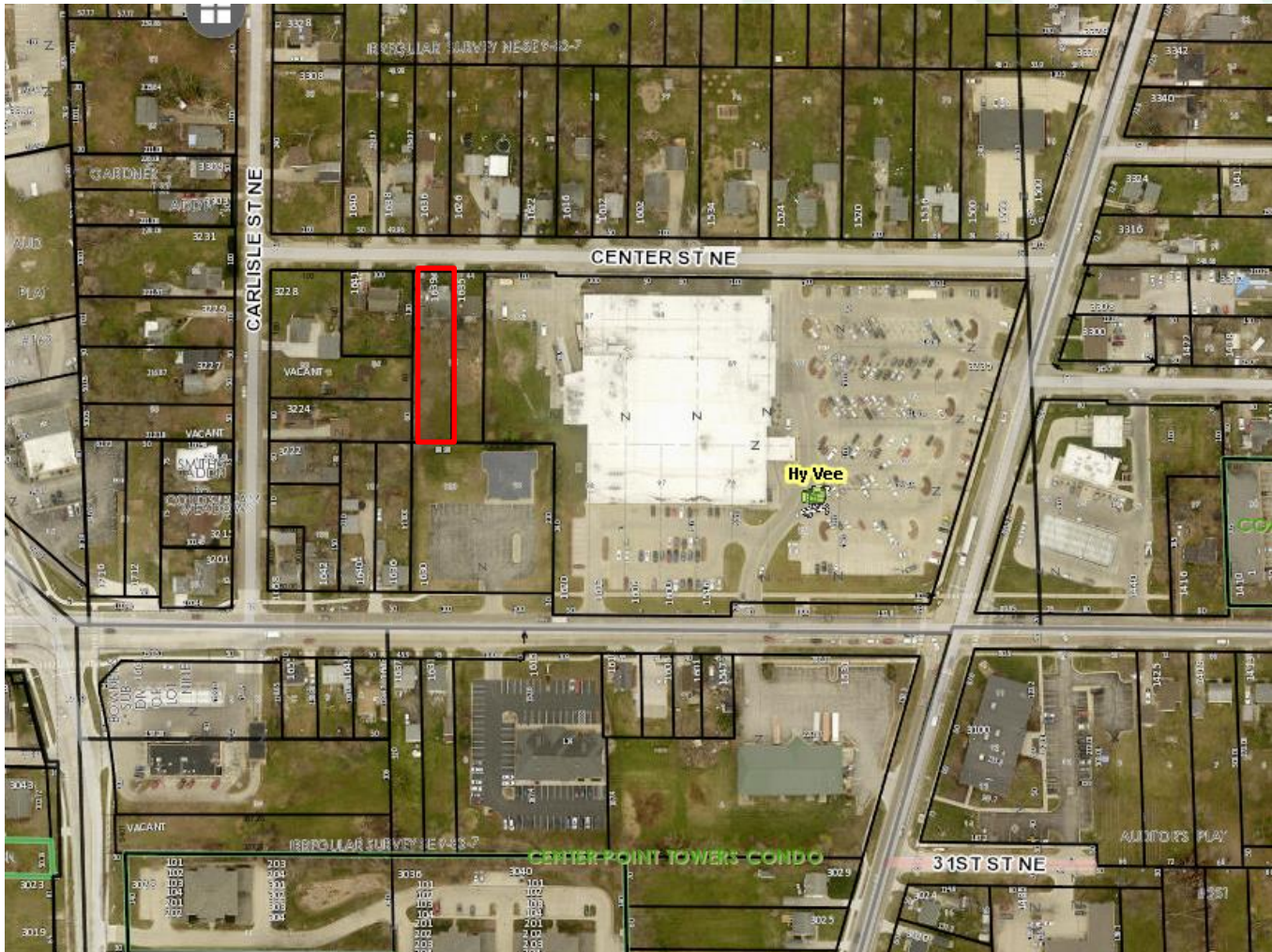


Demolition

# 1639 Center Street NE– home and garage



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# 1639 Center Street NE



# Project Description

- The house was built in 1910; garage was built in 1939
- The condition is 'below normal' for both structures according to the assessor.
- The property has not been surveyed.



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends the immediate release of the demolition permit because there is no evidence of historic significance and the property is a poor candidate for local landmarking

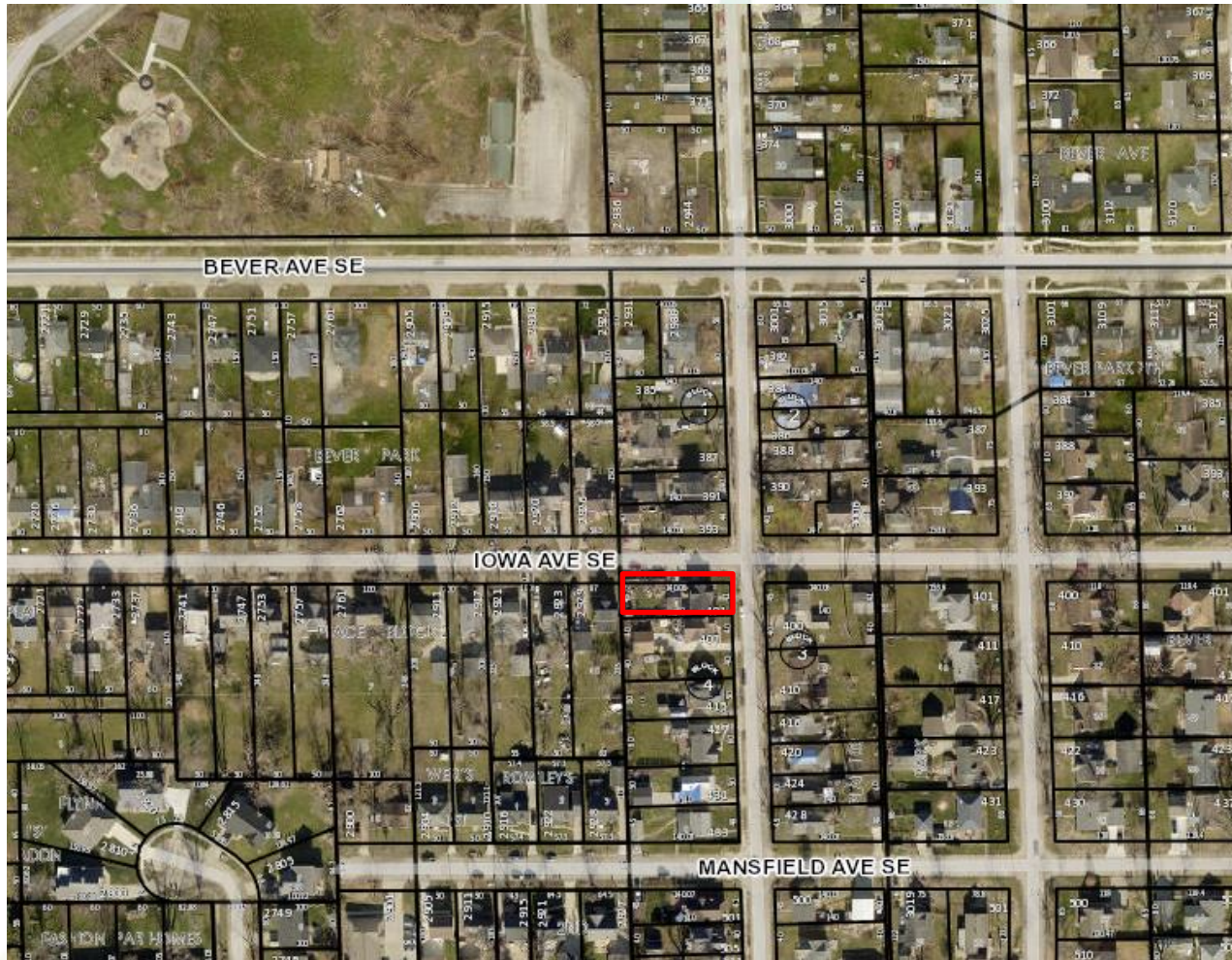


Demolition

401 30<sup>th</sup> Street SE - garage



# 401 30<sup>th</sup> Street SE



# 401 30<sup>th</sup> Street SE



# Project Description

- The garage was built in 1942
- It is considered to be in 'normal' condition according to the assessor
- The property has not been surveyed.



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends the immediate release of the demolition permit because there is no evidence of historic significance and the property is a poor candidate for local landmarking



Demolition

# 4150 Jackson Drive NW- house



# 4150 Jackson Drive NW



# 4150 Jackson Drive NW



# Project Description

- The home was built in 1920
- It is considered to be in 'excellent' condition according to the assessor
- The property has not been surveyed.



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends the immediate release of the demolition permit because there is no evidence of historic significance and the property is a poor candidate for local landmarking

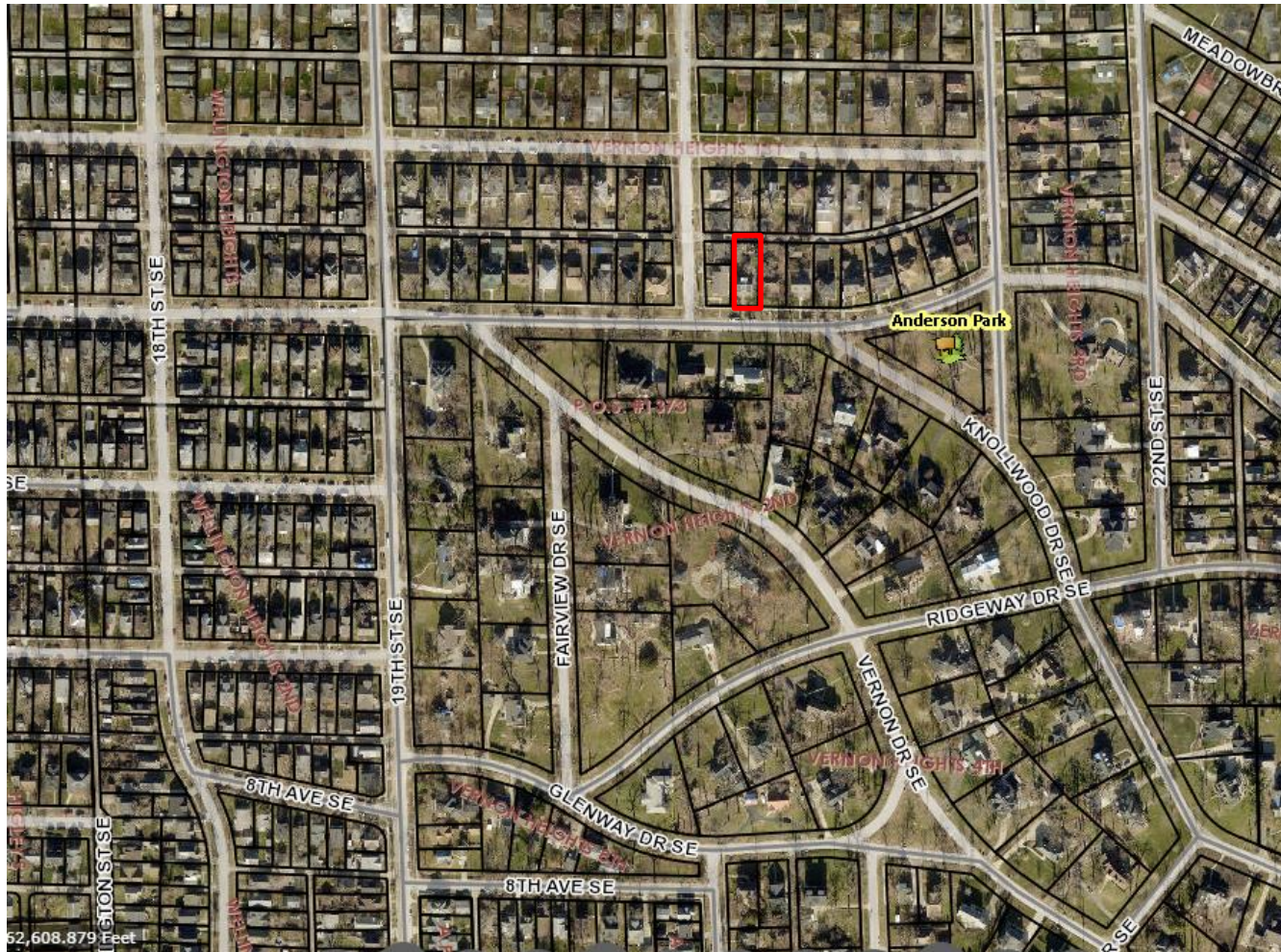


Demolition

# 2008 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE - garage



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# Project Description

- The garage was built in 1910
- It is considered to be in 'below normal' condition according to the assessor
- The property was recommended for intensive survey in the 2014 Reconnaissance Survey as a part of the Vernon Heights area



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends the immediate release of the demolition permit because garages are not typically mentioned in site inventory forms, the garage is not easily viewed from the street, and the property has not been surveyed yet.



Demolition

2555 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE - house



2555 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE



# 2555 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE



# Project Description

- The commercial building was built in 1965
- The building condition is considered 'normal' by the City Assessor.
- The property has not been surveyed



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends the immediate release of the demolition permit because the property has not been surveyed and there is no evidence of historic significance



Demolition

# 1705 Mt. Vernon Road SE – garage and barn



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Barn





Garage/accessory structure



# Project Description

- The garage/accessory structure was built in 1940; the barn was built in 1920
- The garage is considered to be in 'below normal' condition and the barn in 'very poor' condition according to the assessor
- The Oak Hill Cemetery is listed in the National Register as a historic district as of 2013 under Criterias A and C
- Both the garage and barn were found to be contributing structures to the district



# Staff Recommendation

- Although the barn and garage are considered to be contributing to the Oak Hill Cemetery National Historic District, their condition is considered beyond repair by the owner. Additionally, both structures suffered damage from the 2020 Derecho. For those reasons, staff recommends immediate release.



Demolitions on Hold – Expiring November 22<sup>nd</sup>

# 1900 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE- Commercial Building



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# 124 19th Street NE - Commercial Building



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