

CHAPTER 156

UNIFORM CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

156.01 Code Adopted

156.02 Notice to Property Owner

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156.01 CODE ADOPTED. The *Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings*, 1997 Edition, published by the International Conference of Building Officials, is adopted by reference.

156.02 NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER. Whenever it comes to the knowledge of the Director of Building and Zoning, and upon investigation the Director of Building and Zoning deems that any building within the City is dangerous or is likely to fall, the Director of Building and Zoning shall at once notify the City Manager concerning the facts, including a description of the building and the name of the owner, if known. The City Manager shall investigate the circumstances concerning the report and shall make recommendations concerning the building to the Council. The Council may then cause written notice to be served upon the owner of the premises upon which the building is situated to repair, remove or destroy the dangerous building, as the Council may determine, or to appear before the Council at a time set in the notice to show why the owner shall not do so. The notice shall be served upon the owner or the owner's agent, if in the County, at least five (5) days (if outside the County, within at least 10 days) before the time set for the hearing. Upon the failure of the owner or agent to make such showing or upon a consideration of such showing and other evidence the Council may by resolution order the repair, removal or destruction of the building, as the Council may determine, and the order shall be carried out under the supervision of the City Manager.

156.03 COST OF REPAIR, REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION. When the work of the repair, removal or destruction of any dangerous building has been completed by the City, the Director of Building and Zoning shall file a complete schedule of the cost thereof with the City Manager, and the City Manager shall then give the owner of the premises or the owner's agent ten days' written notice, with a copy of the schedule attached. The objections to the same or any other proceedings must be made in writing by a date named and the same shall be filed with the City Manager. The Council, having heard the objections, if any, and made any necessary corrections, shall assess the cost upon the premises and property, and against the owner thereof personally, and the cost shall be certified to the County Treasurer and collected as other taxes.