

RESOLUTION NO. 22-1993

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHED A POLICY FOR THE DEMOLITION OF PROPERTIES DAMAGED BY FIRE, HIGH WINDS, OR EXPLOSIONS.

WHEREAS, On May 6, 1993, the Board of Building Standards considered a policy to encourage property owners to be responsible for the demolition and abatement of hazards, and submits recommendations to the City Council for their review of adjustment to and creation of a Demolition Policy for Damaged Structures; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, of the City of Abilene, concurs in the recommendation to establish the policy, now; therefore,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

- Part 1: That the City Council of the City of Abilene hereby adopts the Demolition Policy for Properties Damaged by Fire, High Winds, or Explosions.
- Part 2: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately, from and after, its' passage.

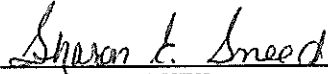
Adopted, this the 27 day of May, 1993.

ATTEST:


JO MOORE
CITY SECRETARY


GARY MCCALED
MAYOR

APPROVED:


SHARON E. SNEED
CITY ATTORNEY

**POLICY BY RESOLUTION
OF THE CITY COUNCIL, ABILENE, TEXAS
MAY 27, 1993**

**DEMOLITION POLICY FOR PROPERTIES DAMAGED
BY FIRE, HIGH WINDS, OR EXPLOSIONS**

- 1.) Building Inspection and City crews shall respond, as rapidly as possible, when assistance is requested by Fire or Police personnel. Assistance will be rendered to emergency personnel in coping with immediate hazards associated with damaged buildings.
- 2.) Buildings that present an immediate hazard, as determined by designated personnel, will be dealt with in an appropriate manner to abate the hazards, in accordance with Section 408 and 409 of the 1991 Abatement of Dangerous Building Code, and Section 1107 of the 1991 Uniform Building Housing Code.
- 3.) The historical significance of the structure shall be established at the earliest possible time. Appropriate action shall be taken to preserve any structure identified as having historical significance.
- 4.) After abatement of any immediate hazards, further restoration and cleanup will be the responsibility of the property owner. The owner will be contacted and sent a certified notice that it is his/her responsibility to protect the property, and take the necessary action within sixty (60) days, either by demolition, clean-up, or commencement of repairs. Staff will offer appropriate assistance in providing information defining procedures necessary to correct the problem.
- 5.) In cases where the owner fails to initiate the necessary action, within sixty (60) days of date of notice, the item shall then be placed on the Board of Building Standards agenda for a public hearing to determine appropriate action. Demolition of damaged property will not occur by City crews, until after a public hearing and orders issued by the Board of Building Standards.
- 6.) Costs incurred for demolition performed by City crews shall be billed to the owner. This cost shall include direct and indirect costs, overhead, *any administrative costs, costs to perform Historical Review, commercial dumping fees, charges for insurance, and a penalty, in order to equate to an independent Contractor's price. It is intended that these charges be reflective of similar costs incurred when demolition is performed by independent Contractors.

*Board of Building Standards Recommendation, May 6, 1993 (underlined wording)

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