

Department of Planning & Community & Economic Development

## **Building Inspection Division**

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DATE:

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TO:

Plan Commission

FROM:

George C. Hank, Director

**Building Inspection Division** 

**SUBJECT:** Demolition of 4214 Doncaster Drive

On the early morning hours of Sunday, March 18, 2018, fire destroyed the single family home located at 4214 Doncaster Drive on the City's Southwest Side. The fire burned through the floor systems of first and second floor causing large areas of each to collapse into the basement. The fire eventually spread in to the attic. Large hole where cut into the roof to ventilate the structure leaving the building open to the elements. The remainder of the building was heavily damaged by smoke, water and heat. The extent of the damage was so severe that temporary shoring was installed so a fire investigation could be conducted.

The building has been secured but this only prevents people who generally obey the law from entering the building. The building presents a significant danger to anyone who may enter. In its current condition, the building constitutes a public nuisance and should be removed as soon as possible. I am writing to urge support for the issuance of the Demolition Permit.