# SURVEY OF CONDITIONS CITY OF MADISON

# **Proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District**

# **Report on Blight Determination**

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#### **Background Summary**

This report finds that the proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District constitutes a blighted area under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes 66.1331 and Wisconsin Statutes 66.1333, which govern the definition of Blighted Area and Redevelopment Districts. The District commonly known as the Allied Drive Area consists of the Commercial area southeast of Verona Road, west of the parcels fronting on Helene Parkway and north of the city of Fitchburg. The residential area is southeast of Verona Road, west of the city of Fitchburg, north of the railroad right of way and east of Carling Drive and Carling Drive extended. This area is the proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District. The Redevelopment District is shown in Appendix B.

The area in total has 81 parcels with 81 structures. The area without streets is 75.66 acres. The largest parcel is a 7.8-acre park parcel. The second largest parcel is a 6.7-acre site upon which new housing is currently being constructed. This parcel will not be part of the Blight calculation or count of number of structures due to the new construction. Most of the parcels in the proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District contain one multifamily structure.

Two categories of information were utilized to determine if the proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District constitutes a blighted area. These two are: structural conditions and blighting influences.

## Exterior Structure and Parcel Survey

#### Methodology of the Survey of Conditions

Mid-America Planning Services, consultants to the city of Madison conducted the field surveys March 30, 2006 through April 13, 2006. One survey was completed for each principal structure and if a parcel had no structure a survey form was completed for that parcel. A copy of the survey form used is found in Appendix A.

The survey consisted of:

The field survey enumerator recorded the Existing Land Use of each parcel or building, as best determined by an exterior survey.

The survey enumerator recorded exterior Structural Conditions of Buildings –The survey consisted of only exterior inspection of the buildings.

The survey enumerator recorded the condition of each parcel without a structure.

**Blighting Influences** – A search was conducted for blighting influences and recorded by the enumerator, who is a professional planner.

**Code Violations** – A search was conducted for current code violations for the buildings and parcels in the City Building Inspectors Office. As of April 28, 2006, over 300 outstanding building code violations were found. A compilation of these violations will be turned over to City staff.

#### Rating Criteria for the Structure

Based on inspection and evaluation, the condition of each component of the structure was placed in one of five categories:

Satisfactory
Maintenance
Minor Deficiency
Moderate Deficiency
Major Deficiency

**Satisfactory** – This condition exists when there is an absence of any defect and/or requirement for maintenance.

**Maintenance** – This condition exists when routine steps are required to improve, protect, and/or correct normal wear and tear, which may arise in components as a result of weathering, aging, and/or use.

**Minor Deficiency** – This condition exists when there are defects in an element that are beyond the scope of "Maintenance" which require repair or replacement not exceeding 20 percent of the element.

**Moderate Deficiency** – This condition exists when there are defects in a particular element or group of elements that are more serious than in the "Minor Deficiencies" category. The defects relating to a "Moderate Deficiency" require the reconstruction or replacement of approximately 20-50 percent of the element.

**Major Deficiency** – This condition exists when there are defects in a particular element or group of elements of a component that seriously impair the ability of the component to function in its intended capacity. Deficiencies in an element of a component, which require replacement, reconstruction, and/or extensive repair to over 50 percent of the element, constitute a "Major Deficiency".

The primary and secondary components of each structure were rated on a point system using the categories above. Each primary and secondary component was given a value depending on the importance of the component. The value of the component was then multiplied by values shown below. A total score was then calculated.

- 0 Satisfactory
- 0 Maintenance
- 1 Minor Deficiency
- 2 Moderate Deficiency
- 3 Major Deficiency

#### Blighting Influences

Observations were made to determine if any blighting influences existed. When noted they were documented by the enumerator. The enumerator searched for the following blighting influences; Obsolete Buildings Not Suited for Development, Land Underutilization, Non-Accessory Parking, Lack of Parking, Faulty Lot Layout, Incompatible Use or Land Use Relationship, Lack of Open Space, Overcrowding of Buildings on the Land, High Density of Population or Over Crowding, Identifiable Hazards to Health and Safety of the Community, Poor Site Condition, Lack of Loading Areas, Out of Scale with Surrounding Buildings, Poor Walks and Driveways, Inadequate Outdoor Storage and Screening and Lack of Handicap Accessibility. Other blighting influences that were not listed were also documented if found.

Below are the blighting influences identified within the Allied Drive Redevelopment District:

- Land Underutilization
- Faulty Lot Layout
- Identifiable Hazards to Health & Safety of the Community
- Poor Site Conditions
- Poor Walks and Driveways
- Inadequate Outdoor Storage and Screening
- No Hand Rails
- Leaning Retaining Wall with Rotted Timbers
- Rusted Light Pole with Cracked Base
- Vacated Pole Base
- Broken Signs
- Exposed Wires easily Accessible to Children
- Graffiti

This potential redevelopment area is a highly blighted area with 148 blighting influences on 78 parcels.

#### Rating System for Parcels with Structures

Each structure was scored by the following system and the score was used to assign a category. The structural soundness of all buildings was rated using the following system.

(0 to 49) Standard – Where all primary components are sound and in good repair or requiring only normal maintenance.

(50 to 490) Blighted But Can Be Corrected – Where primary structural components are in need of repair beyond normal maintenance.

**(491 and up) Blighted and May Require Clearance -** Where the primary structural components have a critical defect that may not be correctable.

A map of the parcels with Blighted Structures is shown in Appendix C.

#### Rating System for Parcels without Structures

Observations were made relative to blighting influences, overall condition of the site, accessibility and general utilization relative to its location.

## Findings for a Possible Redevelopment Area

The blight findings for a redevelopment district are based primarily on structural conditions; however, blighting influences also played a part. When considering blighted parcels with structures and parcels without structures (Criteria #1) or when considering blighted structures including parcels with multiple structures (Criteria #2) the area is blighted. The following tables demonstrate the degree of blight. AS a further explanation of parcels and structures, please note there are 7 parcels without a structure. There are 3 parcels with 2 structures, 2 parcels with 3 structures each and 1 parcel with 4 structures within the proposed district. Viewing parcels only there are 60 blighted parcels and 18 standard parcels. Viewing the structural conditions only, 60 structures are blighted, but correctable. There are 18 standard structures. The listing of parcels is shown in Appendix E and the map in Appendix B shows the blighted parcels.

## Parcels with Standard and Blighted Structures – Criteria #1

	Number of Parcels With Structures	% Of Total Parcels
Blighted Parcels	54	76
Standard Parcels	17	24
Total	71	100

## Parcels without Structures that are Standard or Blighted- Criteria #1

/	Number of Parcels Without Structures	% Of Total Parcels
Blighted Parcels	6	85.7
Standard Parcels	1	14.3
Total	7	100

## Total Standard and Blighted Parcels – Criteria #1

	Number of Parcels	% Of Total Parcels	Acres without Streets	Percent of Total Area not counting
	8			Neutral Area
Blighted Parcels	60	76.9	57.11	84.1
Standard Parcels	18	23.1	10.72	15.9
Total	78	100	67.83	100

#### Standard and Blighted Structures - Criteria #2

	Number of	% Of Total
F.	Structures -	Structures
Substandard Blighted	0	0 .
Correctable Blighted	60	74.0
Standard	18	22.3
Standard Structure on a blighted Parcel	3	3.7
Total	81	100

Blight Score	Number of Parcels
0-49	21
50-150	36
151-250	22
251-490	2
491-590	0
Total	81

#### Parcels with Blighting Influences

The redevelopment area contains 78 parcels with 148 blighting influences. Most Blighting Influences are in the residential areas. This demonstrates that the Allied Drive Residential area is a poor living environment. Should all the structures be repaired, the environment needs serious upgrading. A map of the blight influences by block is shown in Appendix D. A listing of blighted structures is shown in Appendix E.

#### Parcels with Blighted Structures May Require Clearance due to:

- 1. Poor physical condition
- 2. A need to improve the living environment

### Statutory Definitions of Blight

"Blighted area" means:

An area, including a slum area, in which the structures, buildings or improvements, which by reason of dilapidation, deterioration, age or obsolescence, inadequate provision of ventilation, light, air, sanitation, or open spaces, high density of population and overcrowding or the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes, or any combination of these factors is conducive to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency, or crime and is detrimental to the public health, safety, morals or welfare.

#### Existence of Dilapidation, Deterioration, Age or Obsolescence

Parcels within the study area displayed various degrees of structural wear due to age, lack of maintenance, lack of appropriate replacement or poor site maintenance. Ten structures in the study area showed foundation deterioration demonstrated by instances of cracking, chipping or crumbling.

Thirty buildings had wall deterioration including cracking, bulging or signs of attempted repair.

Fifty-nine structures have some degree of observable roof deterioration including missing or rotting shingles and uneven roofs indicating ineffective repair or water damage to the roof itself, missing, sagging and deteriorating facia and soffit and deteriorating gutters and down spouts.

Eight structures displayed deficiencies in their chimneys.

Forty instances of a porch with deficiencies included rotting, warped wood, slanted structures and inadequate railings. The lack of adequate railings is a daily danger to the residents. Thirty-eight structures had deficient doors including wood rot, missing windows and screens and metal rust. Thirty-four structures were affected by deteriorating windows, particularly the frames and closed-up (bricked and blocked) windows.

#### Inadequate Provision of Ventilation, Light, Air or Sanitation

The concern under this category was the lack of screened storage, amount of trash on the ground and damaged and inoperable cars.

#### **Conditions which Endanger Life or Property by Fire and Other Causes**

Several conditions were noted as potential fire hazards and these included: age and structural safety. Another set of problems is the fact that many properties have deteriorated porches and poor walks and driveways. This creates a danger for pedestrian accidents.

## Conditions Detrimental to the Public Health, Safety, Morals and Welfare

The deficiencies discussed above illustrate conditions detrimental to public health, safety, morals and welfare that were noted upon evaluation of the study area. Intermediate and critical structural deficiencies, open storage of refuse and other hazardous items and unsafe porches all illustrate detrimental conditions.

#### In Summary of Findings for a possible Redevelopment District

The blight findings in the proposed Redevelopment area are primarily based on Structural Conditions, but also utilize Blighting Influences. In tabulating for blight:

- Eighteen parcels were in standard condition;
- Sixty parcels with structures and without structures are "blighted, but correctable"; while
- ◆ None fit in the category, "blighted and may require clearance".

The percentage of area measured in square feet with blighted structures and blighted parcels calculated to be **84.1 percent of the area**. This meets the 50 percent blight required in Wisconsin Statute 66.1105 (4) (gm) 4a. The map in Appendix B delineates the blighted areas. Streets were not calculated in the total area.

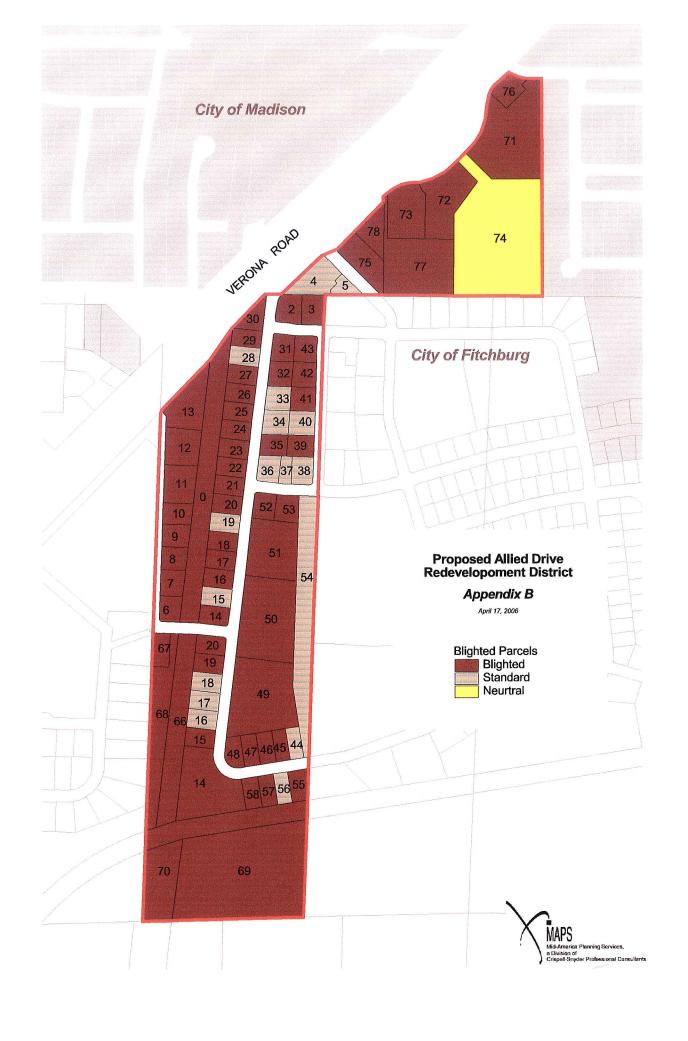
#### **Report Summary**

In summary with 84.1% of the parcels by area are blighted and it is the finding of this report that the proposed Allied Drive Redevelopment District constitutes a blighted area under the provision of Wisconsin Statutes 66.1331 and Wisconsin Statutes 66.1333, which govern Blighted Areas and Redevelopment Districts.

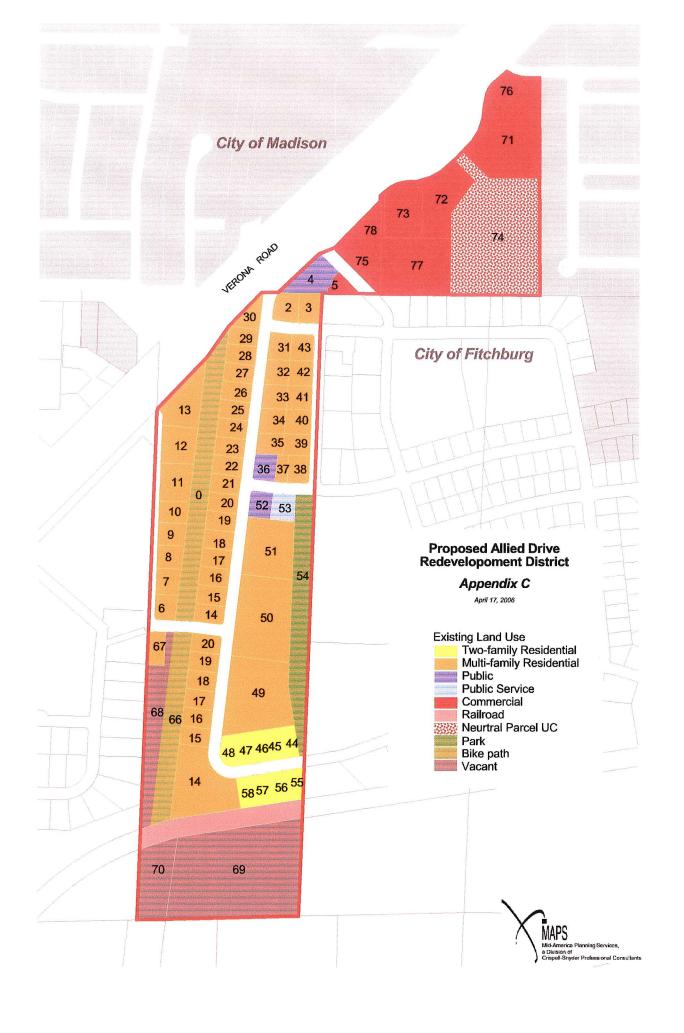
## **APPENDIX A: SURVEY FORM**

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Ext. Walls			100											
Roof			40	-										
		Primary	Subtotal		S= Satisfactory									
Secondary	S 0 1 2	3			0= Maintenance									
Chimney			20		1= Minor Deficiency									
Porches			10		2= Moderate Deficiency									
Stairs		<u>.                                  </u>	_ 5		3= Major Deficiency									
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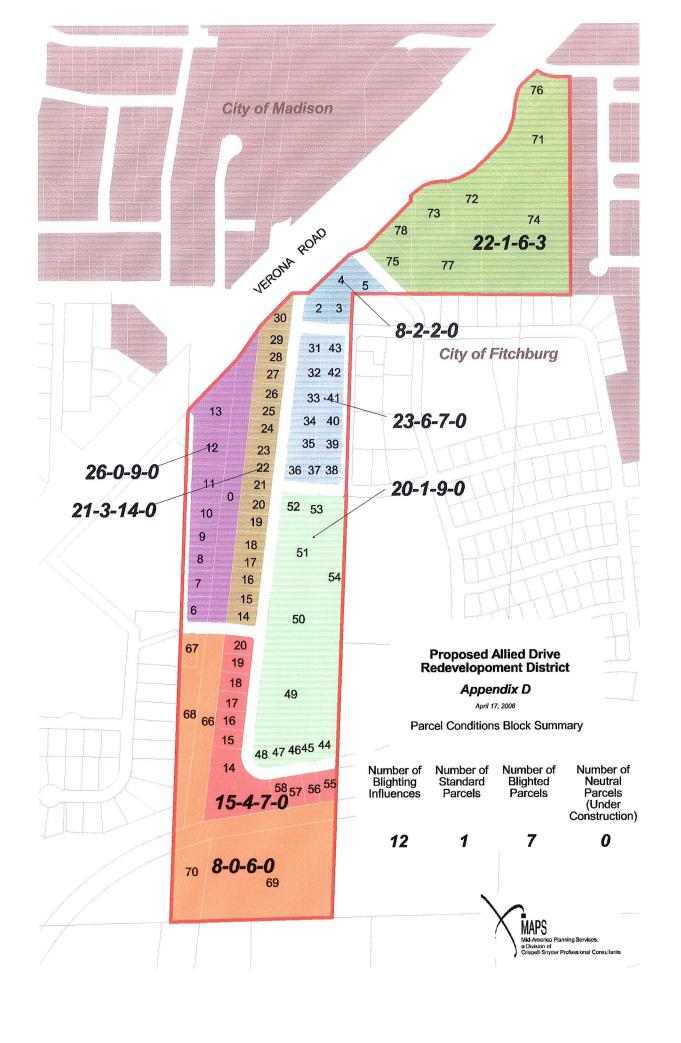
## APPENDIX B: MAP OF BLIGHTED PARCELS



## APPENDIX C: APPENDIX C: MAP OF EXISTING LAND USE



## APPENDIX D: MAP OF PARCELS BY BLOCK



## APPENDIX E: TABLE OF PARCELS WITH FINDINGS

ALLIED DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA – BLIGHT SURVEY – CONDITIONS OF STRUCTURES

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Exterior Structural Rating	0		70	125	40	10	105	20	170	225	225	225	225	185	180	20	40	110	115	120	15	175	80	80
Address	4899 Verona Rd	4799 Crescent	4710 Thurston	4702 Thurston	4709 Verona Rd	2010 Red Arrow	2341 Carling Dr	2333 Carling Dr	2325 Carling Dr	2317 Carling Dr	2309 Carling Dr	2221 Carling Dr	2211 Carling Dr	2201 Carling Dr	2201 Carling Dr	2354 Allied Dr	2346 Allied Dr	4032 Allied Dr	2330 Allied Dr	2322 Allied Dr	2314 Allied Dr	2306 Allied Dr	2242 Allied Dr	2234 Allied Dr
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ALLIED DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA – BLIGHT SURVEY – CONDITIONS OF STRUCTURES

Current Use	Multi-family	Public	Multi-family	Multi-family	•	Multi-family		Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	,	Multi-family	•	Two-family	Two-family	Two-family	Two-family	Two-family	Multi0family	Multi-family	Multi-family												
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Address	2226 Allied Dr	2218 Allied Dr	2210 Allied Dr	2202 Allied Dr	2118 Allied Dr	2110 Allied Dr	2102 Allied Dr	2014 Allied Dr	2105 Allied Dr	2115 Allied Dr	2201 Allied Dr	2211 Allied Dr	2221 Allied Dr	2237 Allied Dr	4710 Jenewein	2230	Rosenberry	2218 Rosenhern	2240	2210 Rosenberry	2202 Rosenberry	2110	Rosenberry	2102	Rosenberry	4702 Crescent	4706 Crescent	4718 Crescent	4722 Crescent	4734 Crescent	2409 Allied Dr	2409 Allied Dr	2409 Allied Dr
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ALLIED DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA – BLIGHT SURVEY – CONDITIONS OF STRUCTURES

Current Use	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Public	Public Svc	Vacant	Two-family	Two-family	Two-family	Two-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Multi-family	Vacant Bike Path	Multi-family	Vacant Parcel	Vacant Parcel	Vacant Parcel	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial
Parcel With No Structure Blighted																							×		×	×	×			-	
Parcel With No Structure Standard									×																						
Structure Standard – Parcel Blighted Due To Blighting																															
Blighted Correctable Structure	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×		×		×	×	×	×	×	×				×	×		×				×			×
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Parcel#	49(d)	50(a)	20(p)	50(c)	51(a)	51(b)	52	53	54	55	56	22	58	59(a)	29(b)	59(c)	09	61	62	63	64	65	99	29	89	69	70	71	72(a)	72(b)	73

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ALLIED DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA – BLIGHT SURVEY – CONDITIONS OF STRUCTURES

Current Use	Residential- Construction	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial													
Parcel With No Structure Blighted																		
	Neutral																	
Blighted Structure Parcel Standard With Structure Parcel No Blighted Structure Due To Standard Blighting Influences		×	×															
Blighted Correctable Structure				×	×													
Standard Structur e																		
Blighting Influences	0	က	5	4	2													
Exterior Structural Rating		0	0	175	140													
		4687 Verona Rd	4601 Verona Rd	4649 Verona Rd	4651 Verona Rd													
Parcel#	74 (abc), 79, 80	75	92	77	78													

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## APPENDIX F: BLIGHT PHOTOS



Broken Glass, No Car Stops by Sidewalk 4601 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Broken Sign, Leaning Light Post 4601 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Cracks in the Pillar, Water Damage 4611 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Trash 4645 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Exposed Wires, Rusted Pole, Cracked Base 4645 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Rotted Fascia 4645 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Broken Sign 4649 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Pot Holes in Driveway 4649 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Broken Downspout 4649 Verona Rd March 30, 2006



Broken Sidewalk, Abandon Pole or Sign Base, Exposed Wires March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Porch Roof 2314-2318 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Steps Without Railing 2326-2322 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Wood Paneling 2118-2122 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Frames, Loose Glazing March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Shingles 2218 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Shingles 2226 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Sill Missing 2306-2302 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Deteriorated Fascia 2102 Rosenberry March 30, 2006



Steps Without Railing 2206 Rosenberry March 30, 2006



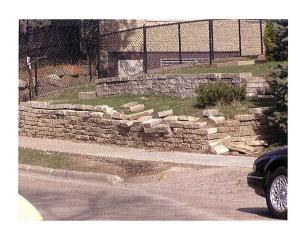
Downspout Off 2358-2354 Allied Dr March 30, 2006



Downspout Off, Rotted Fascia, Soffet, No Gutter 2115 Allied Dr April 5, 2006



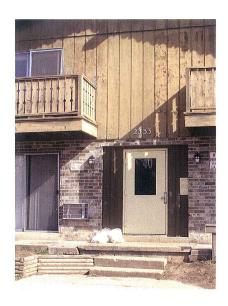
Inadequate Outdoor Storage Screen, Trash 2225, 2221 Allied Dr April 5, 2006



Deteriorated Retention Wall 4706 Genewein April 5, 2006



Wall Cracks 4709-4705 Genewein April 5, 2006



Lack of Railing on Steps, Rotted Wood Porch, Deteriorated Wood Walls 2399-2333 Allied Dr April 5, 2006



Trash, Unscreened Outdoor Storage 2345, 2347 Allied Dr April 10, 2006



Deteriorated Wood Siding 2345-2347 Allied Dr April 10, 2006



Deteriorated Wood Siding With a Hole 2355-2353 Allied Dr April 10, 2006



Foundation Broken and Cracked 2421-2417 Allied Dr April 10, 2006



Storm Door Lying Under the Bushes 2437 Allied Dr April 10, 2006



Deteriorated Shingles, Rusted Flashing 4714-4718 Cresent Dr April 10, 2006



Trash Railroad R-O-W April 11, 2006



Rotten Ties, No Rails Railroad R-O-W April 11, 2006



Trash Bike Trail April 11, 2006



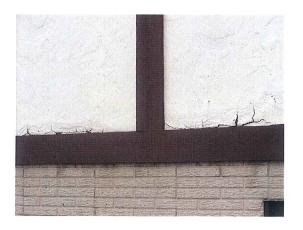
Trash, Broken Glass on Trail, Abandon Shopping Cart, Broken Marker Pole Bike Trail April 11, 2006



Deteriorated Fascia, Deteriorated Wood Frame 2201 Carling Dr April 13, 2006



Rotted Fascia (Hole) 2211 Carling Dr April 13, 2006



Deteriorated Siding 2211 Carling Dr April 13, 2006



Deteriorated Shingles 2317-21 Carling Dr April 13, 2006



Railing Loose, Railing Missing (Lying on Ground) April 13, 2006



No Railings, Cracked Deck 2317-21 Carling Dr April 13, 2006



Rotted Porch Deck 2329 Carling Dr April 13, 2006