

WOODBURY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM(S) REQUEST FORM

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Date: 3/23/17

Weekly Agenda Date: 3/28/17

ELECTED OFFICIAL / DEPARTMENT HEAD / CITIZEN:

Keith Radig

WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Listing for sale the County Home building from the Prairie Hills grounds.

ACTION REQUIRED:

Approve Ordinance

Approve Resolution

Approve Motion

Public Hearing

Other: Informational

Attachments

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As a board we have decided to no longer budget the maintenance and climate control in the former County Home. In the current condition, the building is marketable. Failure of this board to act would leave taxpayers with a serious future liability. Facing a housing shortage, the former County Home is a great potential for new, repurposed development.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2009 the county has deferred capital projects including HVAC repairs and updating the water supply. Estimates to properly repair the county home for any kind of government useage were over \$8 million.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

We should bid out commission with local commercial real estate firms. Buyer will pay commission. Buyer would also sever the connection to the 1975 addition. We would benefit from the sale of the ~~XXXXXX~~ building, property tax in the future, and the loss of impending demolition liability. The last 3 major demolition projects were bid between \$1 million and \$3.5 million.

IF THERE IS A CONTRACT INVOLVED IN THE AGENDA ITEM, HAS THE CONTRACT BEEN SUBMITTED AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR AND ANSWERED WITH A REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE?

Yes No

RECOMMENDATION:

Follow the lead of forward thinking leaders and repurpose old, outdated government buildings into private sector use. Examples: old fire stations, old city maintenance garage, former schools, former school administration building, former post offices.

ACTION REQUIRED / PROPOSED MOTION:

I will ask for a motion to list the county home and property outlined in red to be listed for a price recommended by the listing agent.

