
CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomfield acquired properties at 112 and 113 South Madison in Bloomfield in November 2018 and April 2019 due to their deteriorating condition; and

WHEREAS, the condition of the buildings has continued to deteriorate as the City has investigated options for shoring up, asbestos removal, renovation or removal of the buildings; and

WHEREAS, Jim Tometich, P.E., of Tometich Engineering, Inc., has reported that the deteriorating condition of the buildings has now created an emergency situation with respect to both the center bearing wall and the front façade wall; and

WHEREAS, any snow load could potentially put enough stress on the buildings to cause collapse of either or both of the walls which could cause serious loss or injury to members of the public, adjoining property and damage to the City of Bloomfield,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and other emergent concerns, I, Daniel Wiegand, Mayor of the City of Bloomfield, proclaim the following:

I determine that a state of emergency exists with respect to the buildings at 112 and 113 South Madison in Bloomfield, Iowa.

City staff have worked with Jim Tometich, P.E., of Tometich Engineering, Inc., to come up with options related to the buildings; however, the progressive failure of the buildings limits the ability of contractors to provide exact quotations regarding costs for remedying the emergency collapse concerns.

The status of the buildings has been a matter on the Bloomfield City Council agenda several times during the past several months and Tometich Engineering, Inc., has worked with contractors to get quotations to either temporarily shore up the middle wall between 112 and 113 South Madison to stabilize the floors and to shore up the front facade or to demolish the buildings or facade to remove the threat of imminent collapse.

I am invoking the authority of Iowa Code section 384.103(2) to accept, enter into and make payment under contracts for emergency repairs without holding a public hearing or advertising for bids. I am authorizing Duncan Construction LLC to shore up the center bearing wall between 112 and 113 South Madison to stabilize the floors at a cost of \$77,829.00. I am authorizing DeCarlo Demolition to demolish the front façade of the two buildings at a cost of \$35,000.00.

Proclaimed this 30th day of October, 2020, by the authority vested in me by the Code of Iowa and the City of Bloomfield Municipal Code.

By:  Daniel Wiegand, Mayor for the City of Bloomfield
10-30-2020