


ROSEVILLE
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: 2-28-11
Item No.: 12.c

Department Approval

City Manager Approval



Item Description: **Community Development Department Request to Perform an Abatement for Unresolved Violations of City Code at 1863 Fernwood Avenue.**

1 **BACKGROUND**

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- 3 • The subject property is a single-family detached home.
 - 4 • The current owners are Warren and Janet Dahle.
 - 5 • Current violations include:
 - 6 • A utility trailer parked in the front driveway for an extended period of time (violation of City Code Section 407.03.Q).
 - 7 • A status update, including pictures, will be provided at the public hearing.

8 **POLICY OBJECTIVE**

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10 Property maintenance through City abatement activities is a key tool to preserving high-quality
11 residential neighborhoods. Both Imagine Roseville 2025 and the City’s 2030 Comprehensive Plan
12 support property maintenance as a means by which to achieve neighborhood stability. The Housing
13 section of Imagine Roseville suggests that the City “implement programs to ensure safe and well-
14 maintained properties.” In addition, the Land Use chapter (Chapter 3) and the Housing and
15 Neighborhoods chapter (Chapter 6) of the Comprehensive Plan support the City’s efforts to maintain
16 livability of the City’s residential neighborhoods with specific policies related to property maintenance
17 and code compliance. Policy 6.1 of Chapter 3 states that the City should promote maintenance and
18 reinvestment in housing and Policy 2.6 of Chapter 6 guides the City to use code-compliance activities
19 as one method to prevent neighborhood decline.

20 **FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

21 City Abatement:

22 An abatement would encompass:

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- 24 • Hiring a contractor to move the trailer rearward into the side yard area where it is allowed:
 - 25 ○ Approximately - \$250.00

26 Total: Approximately – \$250.00

28 In the short term, costs of the abatement will be paid out of the HRA budget, which has allocated
29 \$100,000 for abatement activities. The property owner will then be billed for actual and administrative
30 costs. If charges are not paid, staff is to recover costs as specified in Section 407.07B. Costs will be
31 reported to Council following the abatement.

32 **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

33 Due to this season's severe winter weather and excessive snowfall, staff recommends that the Council
34 direct Community Development staff to abate the above referenced public nuisance violation at 1863
35 Fernwood Avenue if the trailer is still in violation of City Code as of April 15, 2011.

36 **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

37 Direct Community Development staff to abate the public nuisance violation at 1863 Fernwood Avenue
38 by hiring a contractor to move the trailer rearward into the side yard area (where it is allowed) if it is
39 still in violation of City Code after April 15th, 2011.

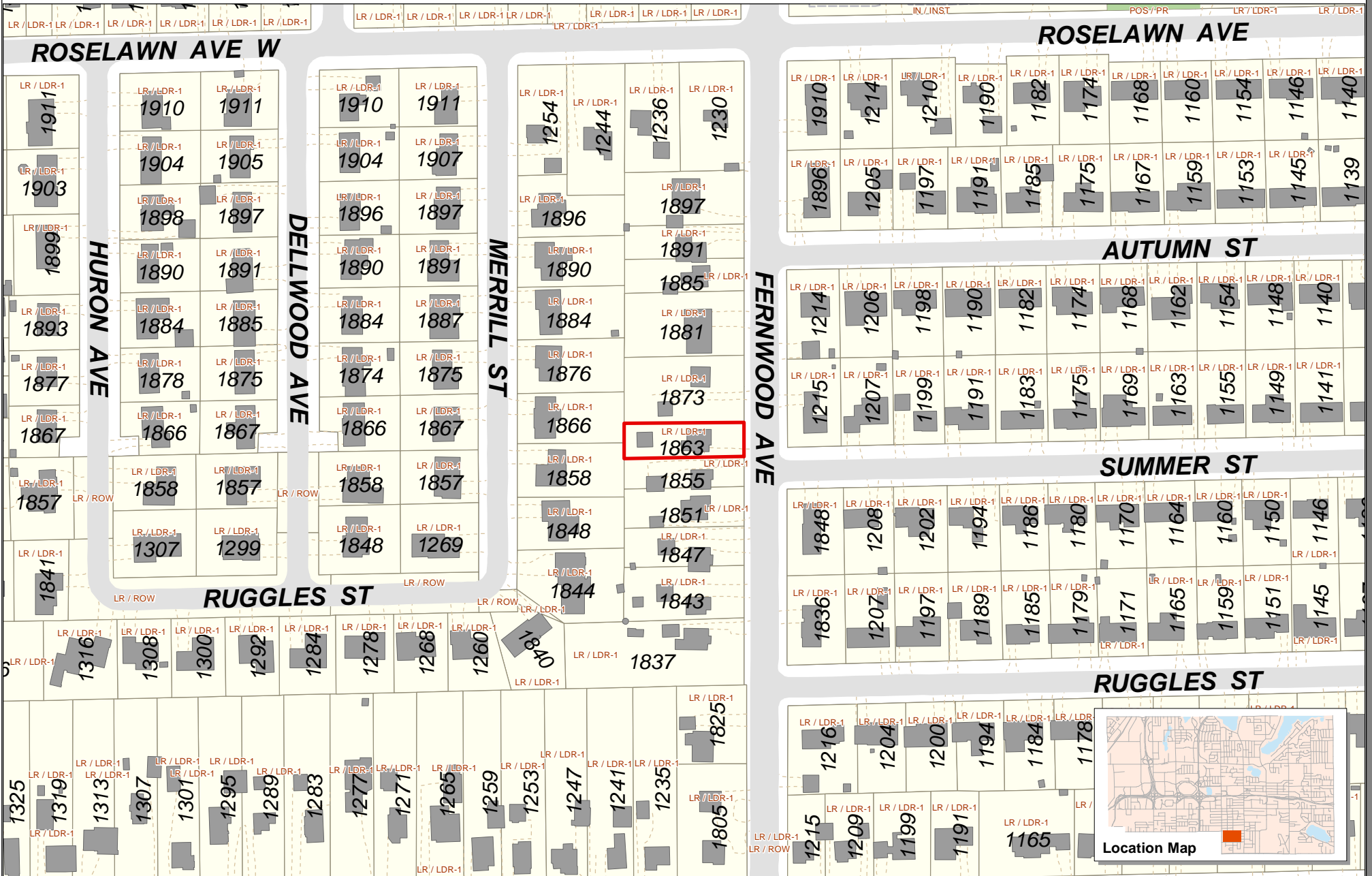
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Attachments: A: Map of 1863 Fernwood Avenue

1863 Fernwood Ave N



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Site Location

LR / R1 Comp Plan / Zoning Designations

Data Sources

* Ramsey County GIS Base Map (1/3/2011)
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