Public Health Nuisance Assessment

Property Address: 5006 S. Elmhurst

Date and Time of Inspection: 11:30 am January 16, 2014

Name of Inspectors: Deborah Fromer, Chris Steward, Dante Corimanya, Adrienne Byrne-Lutz, Seth Konkel

How close is the property to people? The home at 5006 S. Elmhurst is in a residential neighborhood

How close are other properties, businesses and schools? The home is bordered on both sides by other homes and they are within approximately 30 feet.

Is access to property limited? There is a chain-link fence around the front and one side of the property which is in good condition however there is no lock on the gate. There is a wooden fence around the opposite side and backyard of the property. The gate of the wood fence is in poor condition. A temporary orange snow fence has been erected in front of the wooden fence gate however it is easily moved allowing access to the back portion of the property. There are signs clearly stating "No Trespassing".

Is the property in a developed residential neighborhood? Yes

Is the property abandoned? Yes

	Yes	No	Not inspected /Not applicable	Comments
Water Supply				
Is potable water available?			X	
Is the cistern or well contaminated?			X	
If an abandoned well, is it safe?			X	
Condition of area surrounding property				
Stagnant or standing water?		X		
Tall grass and/or weeds?		X		
Plumbing and sewage				
Toilets, sumps, sewer lines adequate?			X	
Raw sewage present?			X	
Solid waste				

Garbage stored on property longer than	х			
necessary?				
Garbage stored in a way that prevents		X		
adequate ventilation?				
Solid waste accumulated?	X			
Chemicals and mold				We did not see any.
Evidence of clandestine drug				unknown
manufacturing?				
Toxic chemicals?		Х		
Visible signs of mold?		Х		
Stray/feral animals, wild animals		x		
Excessive accumulation of animal waste?		Х		
Stray or feral animals?	х			
Wild animals kept as pets?		Х		
Dead animals?		Х		
Rodent infestation?		х		
Safety				
Unsecured, above-ground pool?	X			It is broken and mostly empty
Open basement?	x			
Hanging objects?	X			Light above garage is hanging loosely
Abandoned vehicles or derelict appliances?	x			
Warning signs readable?	x			Signs in front of home state No Tresspassing.
Broken glass	Х			
Air Quality				
Accumulation of dust or chemicals?			x	
Lead-based paint dust?			x	
Odor from chemicals or animal waste?		х		
High levels of radon?			х	

Comments:

The house looks as though there is only minor damage from the street. Upon investigating the back, there are clearly major safety concerns. These safety concerns include but are not limited to:

- Area full of trip hazards caused by garbage, various uncommon outdoor items, and/or burnt housing material
- Burnt floor and floor boards with large portions of the floor missing over the basement presenting a fall hazard
- Burnt structural supports
- Open garage and shed with many trip hazards and sharp objects
- Broken Glass
- Open, uncovered basement windows
- Easy access to the back of the property

There are current public health concerns and these concerns will only increase if this property continues to be unmaintained. These concerns include but are not limited to:

- Broken, above-ground swimming pool currently with shallow pools of water. As spring and summer come this will be an excellent breeding ground for mosquitos and the potential spread of West Nile Virus

- Piles of trash and/or debris
- Tall ground vegetation which appears to be dead at this time however will increase the varmint and fall hazards once spring approaches.
- At least one cat was present on site during the time of the visit, hidden in the shed.

Based on the information presented on this form and the pictures attached, it is my opinion this property is considered an imminent threat to the health or safety of any person.

Inspector Signature



















