

CITY OF COLUMBUS  
October 17, 2016  
Condemnation Hearing  
118 East Olive, 523 West Olive, 533 West Olive

**ATTENDANCE**

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas, met October 17, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, presided over by Mayor W.E. Schaiff. Council members present: Ron Johnson, James Lucian, Sammye Opela, John Paradee, Alvin Patterson, Grant Spieth. Members absent: Connie Bennett, Jerri Burton, Steve Dunlap, Drew Richards.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Condemnation Hearing – 118 East Olive**

Mayor W.E. Schaiff opened the condemnation hearing at 6:45 P.M.:

*Whereas, the Enforcing Officer of the City of Columbus, Kansas, did on the 15th day of August, 2016, report his findings and file with the Governing Body of said City, a statement that the structures, hereinafter described, are unsafe and dangerous. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Columbus, Kansas:*

*That a hearing will be held on the 17th day of October, 2016, before the Governing Body of the City at 6:45 p.m., at Columbus City Hall Council Chambers, 300 East Maple, Columbus, Kansas 66725, at which the owner, his or her agent, any lien holders of record, any occupant and any other parties in interest, as that term is defined by law, of the white two story dwelling structure located at:*

*118 East Olive Street, Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas, described as:  
Columbus First Addition, Block 11, Lots 1-2.*

*may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe and dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished and the debris removed.*

Mayor Schaiff asked if there was any public comment to please step forward and state your name. Wilma Caton approached the council and stated she is looking into having the house taken down. They have contacted B-3 and are waiting for someone to come and give them an estimate.

**EXTENSION – 118 EAST OLIVE**

Spieth moved to approve two month extension for 118 East Olive to enable owner to have the structure taken down and the property cleaned up. Johnson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Update will be presented at the December 19, 2016 council meeting.

Mayor Schaiff announced the next property to be considered is single-story, white single occupancy dwelling structure located at:

*523 West Olive Street, Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas, described as:  
Deems Addition of Columbus, Block 1, Lot 19.*

Schaiff called for any public comment. Brad Ware came forward and informed the council this property belongs to his brother who is too ill to attend the meeting. He announced a neighbor is interested in purchasing the property and taking house down. Ware asked for extension to be able to make the sale and allow new owner time to remove the building.

**EXTENSION - 523 WEST OLIVE**

Johnson moved to approve three month extension for 523 West Olive to allow for property transfer and building removal. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Update will be provided at January 17, 2017 council meeting.

Mayor Schaiff stated the last property to be reviewed is the single-story white, single-occupancy mobile home structure located at:

*533 West Olive Street, Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas, described as:  
Deems Addition of Columbus, Block 1, Lot 14 & All Lots 15 & 16.*

Schaiff asked if anyone was present who would like to address the council. Debra Barnes came forward and informed the council she is purchasing this property from Joann Slaugh and almost has the property paid in full. Ms. Slaugh is in the nursing home and unable to attend tonight's meeting. Ms. Slaugh had contacted City Hall earlier in the day confirming pending purchase. Barnes stated she is currently living in Odesa, Missouri caring for a terminally ill father in law. A relative had been staying in the trailer but was asked to move due to unpaid bills and property neglect. Barnes provided she and her husband plan to come back and live in this trailer after her father in law has passed. She asked for extension to allow time for son to make repairs.

**EXTENSION – 533 WEST OLIVE**

Spieth moved to allow three month extension for 533 West Olive to allow for repairs and cleanup of trailer and property. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Update will be provided at January 17, 2017 council meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Spieth moved to close the condemnation hearing at 7:09 p.m. Lucian seconded the motion. Voting aye: Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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*Cherri Chancellor, City Clerk*