

CITY OF COLUMBUS

October 3, 2016

Condemnation Hearing

609 South Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas, met October 3, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, presided over by Mayor W.E. Schaiff. Council members present: Connie Bennett, Jerri Burton, Steve Dunlap, Ron Johnson, James Lucian, Sammye Opela, John Paradee, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, Grant Spieth. Member absent: None.

PUBLIC HEARING – Condemnation Hearing – 609 South Pennsylvania

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 1st 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 3rd 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 detached garage structures located at:

*609 S. Pennsylvania Street, Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas described as:
Second Addition Columbus, Beg 75 S & 50 W of NE Cor, LT 3, Blk 3, TH W 260, S
75, E 260, N 75 to POB, Less ROW.*

may appear and show cause why such structures should not be condemned as an unsafe and dangerous structures 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. Nancy and John Wemhoener were present. John Wemhoener came forward and informed the council he believes the buildings are structurally sound and only need cosmetic repairs. He has not had funds for upkeep due to lack of continuous employment. Wemhoener requested an extension to be able to complete repairs. Chief Daniels asked how long he would need, Wemhoener advised it would not take long - he needs work to have funds for repairs. Council member Ron Johnson asked how much repairs would cost. Wemhoener answered not much. Johnson stated he and John attend the same church. Johnson provided as a trustee of the church, the church will front the money John needs to get this done.

EXTENSION

Burton moved to approve three month extension for 609 South Pennsylvania to enable Wemhoener to get the structures up to the standards they need to be. Johnson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

Update will be presented at the January 17, 2017 council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Spieth moved to close the condemnation hearing at 6:57 p.m. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

Cherri Chancellor, City Clerk