

Demolition by neglect is in the city Code to prevent the demolition of historically-significant buildings through the negligence or inattention of the owner. I am attaching the relevant portions of the Code for you, but the essence of it is that we try to work with the property owner to stabilize the structure for its long-term preservation; if an agreement cannot be reached, then there are fines and penalties that can attach to the property. Let's see what we can do to ensure the continued presence of the Sneed House on this site.

Steve Sadowsky
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From: Tracy Chen
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:12 PM
To: Sadowsky, Steve
Subject: Re: Sneed House

Dear Steve,
We had discussed with Mr. Saeed regarding your email details.
They are finding the cost to stabilize the Ruins is tremendous and they are trying to find a balance in their limited budget.
Please advise on the "Demolition by Neglect" , please send us some details regarding the cost aspect.

Thank you.

Tracy

On Thu, Apr 5, 2018 at 3:51 PM, Sadowsky, Steve <Steve.Sadowsky@austintexas.gov> wrote:

Gentlemen:

The Historic Landmark Commission is wanting to move forward with a demolition by neglect case. It has been several months since I last heard from you and I need to have a definite answer to when the plans will be submitted and what the plan for stabilization of the ruins will be. The Commission expects an answer on April 23; otherwise, they have instructed me to file a demolition by neglect case with the municipal court that has the possibility of accruing fines and other civil penalties.

We have been "on hold" with this for many months now and we need to have a definite plan to stabilize the ruins while the rest of the plans are being worked on, as well as a final solution for incorporating the ruins into the plans for the site. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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From: art mika

Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 7:56 AM

To: Tracy Chen

Cc: Sadowsky, Steve; Engineer 1; Harry

Subject: Re: Gentlemen, Please provide me with an update of your work at the Sneed House so I can report to the Commission on 11/27.

Austin Energy's electrical grid for the Nelms Project location does not have the infrastructure or capacity to support the electrical needs for this project. The system will have to be upgraded to power up the complex. Currently the project is in the hands of Austin Energy's Engineering Dept. to come up with a design and a price to upgrade the existing system to supply the power that will be needed.

I will let everyone know what options we have when they come up with the answer.

Art

Arthur R. Mika Engineering, LLC.

On Wed, Nov 22, 2017 at 9:45 AM, Tracy Chen > wrote:

The fence has been erected around the ruins.

1) Site Plan is in process.

2) Buildings plans are done. Will be submitted very soon. Waiting for Austin Energy to sign off on ESPA.

Will report to you when it is submitted.

Tracy