



Memo

To: Mayor and Board of Aldermen

From: Building Commissioner Mike Roberts

Date: January 22, 2019

Subject: House Demolition

Recommendation:

Staff recommends hiring the low bidder, The Wrecking Crew to demolish the condemned house.

Explanation:

Three bids were received from demolition contractors for the house at 15569 Clayton Rd. The bids were as follows:

- A) The Wrecking Crew: \$18,900
- B) Aalco Wrecking Co: \$28,740
- C) Spirtas Wrecking Co \$36,780

Spirtas has quoted a price of \$1800 for an asbestos survey to determine if asbestos is present. The Wrecking Crew has quoted a price of \$400 for an asbestos survey. Aalco has included the cost of the survey into their bid. Ballwin will need to get an asbestos survey to find out if any is present on the property before proceeding.

When examining the bids it should be noted The Wrecking Company has not included electric and gas disconnects in their bid as the other companies did. This is something that could be handled by the City simply by contacting Ameren and Spire. The Wrecking Crew is still clearly the low bid and staff recommends proceeding with them. We have inspected their work before and have had no problems.

Finally, Metro West would be interested in using the home for training. This training would include floor shoring, wall and roof breaching and search and rescue. They would not be interested in any burning due to liability to neighboring homes. Staff will await board approval before agreeing to allow the training.