



TO: Mayor Chuck Barney
Members of the City Council

FROM: *Chris Owen, Federal Compliance Officer*

DATE: *May 30, 2017*

SUBJECT: **HOME SWEET HOME - STATE HISTORICAL AGREEMENT (ACQ 140)**

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Recommend approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between the ND State Historic Preservation Officer and the City of Minot, regarding 103 4th Ave NE; and
2. Authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

Chris Owen, Federal Compliance Officer 857-1553

III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

The City of Minot requires several properties in support of the flood control project, including Home Sweet Home (103 4th Ave NE). This property has historic value, so coordination with the state is required and an agreement formalized which notes actions to be taken in accordance with state law and HUD guidelines.

B. Proposed Project

Negotiations are ongoing to acquire the property, and this memorandum outlines actions to be taken. The structure would be relocated to a different lot, currently planned for 110 4th Ave NW based on preliminary state approval.

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

Acquisition is in-line with the City of Minot's desire to maximize safety of its residents and in line with desire to retain connection with its historical lineage

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

This Memorandum of Agreement is critical to the process of acquisition/relocation of property needed for flood control. Without it, the city cannot take possession and relocate the structure. Using current projections, the property must be vacated and lot filled/seeded

before April 1st, 2018. However, with the winter season and required demolition, action is needed this year.

C. Fiscal Impact:

Project costs are covered by a cost share of ND State Water Commission and HUD CDBG-DR funds. A price has not been agreed upon yet, nor have moving costs been calculated yet because the property is not in city possession.

V. ALTERNATIVES

The City Council could deny the request and the state would not allow the home to be moved to a new location. The flood walls/levees that are currently designed to occupy the property would have to be re-engineered and the flood control project would stop until that happened.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS

As noted above, time is of the essence because of when the property is needed for flood feature construction and the construction/demolition season. Since the required date is April 1st, 2018 it is highly desirable to have the home moved and basement demolished/filled/seeded during the late 2017 construction season. No agreement on price has been reached yet, so sufficient time should be allocated for Eminent Domain proceedings - if required.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Place your list of attachments here, in order they were referenced in the document. For example:

Memorandum of Agreement