

ORDINANCE NO. 89-01 (MOP)

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEMOLITION OF DANGEROUS OR DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS.

BE IT ORDAINED, that the Town of Sterlington adopts the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:4761 et seq dealing with dilapidated and dangerous buildings is as follows:

The Board of Aldermen may condemn and cause to be demolished or removed any building or structure within the municipality when it is in a delapidated and dangerous condition which endangers the public welfare.

Sec. 1 Notice to owner; absent owner, hearing; notice filed with recorder of mortgages binds transferees.

A. Before the governing authority may condemn any building or structure, there must be submitted to it a written report recommending the demolition or removal of the building signed by some city official or other person authorized to act in such matters for the municipality. The mayor or chief executive shall thereupon serve notice on the owner of the building or structure requiring him to show cause at a meeting of the governing authority, regular or special, why the building or structure should not be condemned. The date and hour of the meeting shall be stated in the notice which shall be served at least ten days prior to the date of the hearing, except in case of grave public emergency as hereinafter provided. The notice may be served by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the owner at his last known address. The notice may also be served by the marshall of the municipality or by any sheriff or deputy sheriff or constable having jurisdiction and power to serve legal process where the owner of the building or structure is found in the State of Louisiana, and the officer shall make return of the service as in ordinary cases.

B. If the owner is absent from the State or unrepresented therein, then the notice shall be served upon the occupant of the condemned building or structure, if any, and also upon an attorney at law appointed by the Mayor to represent the absentee. Domiciliary service may be made as in ordinary cases.

C. In case of grave public emergency where the condition of the building is such as to cause possible immediate loss or damage to person or property, the governing authority may condemn the building after twenty-four hours notice served upon the owner or his agent or the occupant and attorney at law appointed to represent the absentee owner.

D. Any notice served pursuant to this Section shall be filed with the recorder of mortgages where the property is located. Once filed, said notice shall be deemed notice to all subsequent transferees. Any transferee of such property takes the property subject to all recorded liens, mortgages, and notices thereunto pertaining.

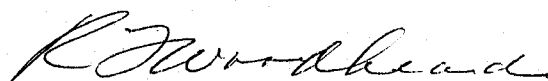
The foregoing ordinance having been duly introduced at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Sterlington and the notice of it having been published in the official journal pursuant to R.S. 33:406, and the same having been read by title at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on February 21, 1989, and called for final passage and submitted to a final vote as a whole, the vote thereon being:

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

ABSENT: 1

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 21st day of March, 1989, as Ordinance NO. 89-01 (MOP) of the Town of Sterlington.



Robert F. Woodhead, Mayor


Marilyn Dilmore, Town Clerk