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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
NOTICE TO ABATE NUISANCE**

**Planning,
Zoning,
Building Safety,
Construction Inspection Services,
Public Health,
Housing Inspections,
Code Enforcement**

July 12, 2016

Yolanda Rocha
615 Hope Avenue
Muscatine, IA 52761

Ref.: 615 Hope Avenue

Dear Ms. Rocha,

It has been brought to our attention that the private sewer lateral serving your property is failing. This failure has resulted in deterioration of the public street to the point that it is a nuisance and a public health hazard. It is the responsibility of the property owner to maintain the sewer lateral.

City Code Section 9-3-3(S) prohibits "Ashes, cinders, leaves, grass, tools, implements, machines, soil, dirt, sand, gravel, lumber, brick, or other building material, or any other thing or substance deposited, stored, placed, or permitted to be or come in or into or upon any street, alley, public place, or into or upon any privately owned property which obstructs, hinders, or prevents the full and free use of any part of such street, alley, public place, or private property the free and uninterrupted flow of water in, upon, and away from the same."

With this in mind, you are hereby ordered to **ABATE A NUISANCE** within **ten (10) days** of receipt of this order by **having the sewer lateral and public street repaired**. Per State of Iowa and Muscatine City codes, a licensed plumbing contractor must be used. Permits and inspections are also required. Failure to comply with this order may result in additional action as provided in Title 9, Chapter 3, Section 9, of the City Code of Muscatine for which you will be billed.

You have the right to appeal the determination that the condition of this property constitutes a nuisance by requesting a hearing before the City Council. The request must be in writing and delivered to the City Clerk within ten (10) days from the date of this order or it will be conclusively presumed a nuisance exists and it must be abated as ordered.

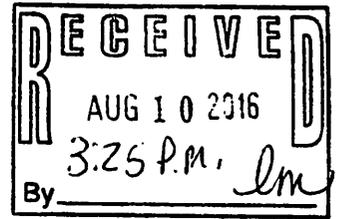
If you have any questions concerning this order or if I may assist you in some way, please contact me at (563) 262-4141 or mmetzger@muscatineiowa.gov prior to the imposed deadline.

Your cooperation in this matter is both expected and appreciated.

Sincerely,

Michelle Metzger
Community Services Officer
Code Enforcement

"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any
on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain



Attn: Michelle Metzger
Ref.: 615 Hope Avenue

I would like to appeal the determination of said property nuisance. I would like to request a hearing before the city council

Yolanda Echols
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August 15, 2016

Yolanda Echols
615 Hope Avenue
Muscatine, Iowa 52761

Dear Ms. Echols:

This office received your request to appeal a Notice to Abate Nuisance dated July 12, 2016. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your appeal has been placed on the City Council's agenda for Thursday, August 18, 2016. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. and is held in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 215 Sycamore Street. Your appeal will be the first item on the agenda following the roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

If you are unable to attend, please let this office know.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fran Donelson".

Fran Donelson
Administrative Secretary