RESOLUTION 2022-79

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE AN ACTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 657A.10B OF THE CODE OF IOWA FOR 203 E. GREEN STREET.

WHEREAS, the City Administrator of the City of West Branch previously gave numerous notices to the owner of 203 E. Green Street (the "Property") to bring the Property into compliance with applicable city ordinances; and

WHEREAS, after the property owner failed to comply with said notices, the City Attorney filed a Municipal Infraction Citation requesting that the Court enter an order to remediate the Property; and

WHEREAS, the property owner failed to appear and judgment was entered against the property owner and the court ordered that all violations be corrected no later than September 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Section 657A.10B of the Code of Iowa allows the City to ask the court to transfer title of abandoned properties to a city; and

WHEREAS, if the property owner fails to comply with the Court's deadline to remediate the code violations at the Property, the City Attorney has recommended that the City file an action with the Iowa District Court to declare the Property abandoned and to ask the Court to award title to the City for remediation of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of West Branch, Cedar County, Iowa, that if the property owner does not correct all violations at the Property by end of the day on September 10, 2022, that the City Attorney is directed to file an action with the Iowa District Court to declare the Property abandoned and obtain title to the Property.

Passed and approved this 6th day of September, 2022.

Roger Laughlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk