

RESOLUTION NO. 37-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LEON, KANSAS, REGARDING YARD VIOLATIONS AT 425 W. MECHANIC STREET INCLUDING 212 S. MILL ROAD, LEON, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the City of Leon, Kansas, has determined that the property located at 425 W. Mechanic Street, which includes 212 S. Mill Road but is taxed as 425 W. Mechanic Street, Leon, Kansas, has exterior yard conditions that constitute a blight to the neighborhood as defined in the Code of the City under Section 8-608(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (b)(2), and (b)(3);

WHEREAS, the property owner, Doug Lentz, appeared before the Governing Body on February 3, 2025, and presented a plan to come into compliance with the current City Codes within thirty (30) days or to show significant progress as determined by the Governing Body;

WHEREAS, a walk-through inspection was conducted, but since that time only minimal progress has been made, and weekly communication has not been maintained;

WHEREAS, the property owner submitted a fence permit, which was denied due to incomplete information and use of improper materials;

WHEREAS, based on the current condition and lack of progress, the Governing Body will allow one final extension through April 7, 2025, with the expectation that the property owner maintain consistent communication and demonstrate significant improvement toward full compliance;

WHEREAS, failure to comply or show improvement may result in the adoption of a resolution to authorize abatement at the April 7, 2025, meeting;

WHEREAS, this extension applies to all yard conditions, fencing, and other exterior elements currently in violation of City Code;

WHEREAS, the Code of the City of Leon allows, in addition to or as an alternative to prosecution, the pursuit of abatement to eliminate public nuisances.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Governing Body of the City of Leon, Kansas, that the City grants a final extension through April 7, 2025, for the property owner to bring the property at 425 W. Mechanic Street (including 212 S. Mill Rd) into compliance with the above-referenced codes.

IN ADDITION, if abatement becomes necessary, a lien shall be placed upon the property for all costs incurred. The City Clerk shall certify the costs to the County Clerk for assessment to the property taxes of the described real estate.

IN ADDITION, the Public Officer may file a complaint in municipal court against any person found in violation of the above codes. Upon conviction, the violator shall be subject to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100), or imprisonment for up to thirty (30) days, or both. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Leon, Kansas, this 7th day of April, 2025.

Kristina Semisch

Kristina Semisch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodie Laidler

Jodie Laidler, City Clerk

