

City of Sidney

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Linda Wilson
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Dear Ms. Wilson:

On behalf of the City Council and City Staff, I extend my sympathy for the misfortune of the recent fire and damage to your property on 117 Beech Street.

Fire is devastating. It not only destroys personal property; it creates challenges and hurdles that must be overcome. We know that the next few weeks and months will be difficult and are sensitive to the challenges which you face.

Our role is not only to provide fire protection and police protection during an emergency. We also have a responsibility to provide safety and protection to neighbors when fire damage occurs. Staff must be mindful that the residue of a residential fire can be a danger and a nuisance to the neighborhood.

As a matter of public safety, we request and require that the damaged property be secured by ensuring that all doors and windows are boarded up to make the property inaccessible.

Specific regulations are as follows (Section 1313.19 of the City of Sidney Codified Ordinances "Maintenance After Casualty Damage"):

within a period of thirty (30) days after being duly notified by the Code Official, the owner shall take the following steps to rectify casualty damages:

- Contract for the repair and restoration of damaged areas and removal of debris; and/or*
- Contract for the demolition and removal of any part of the premises not to be repaired and restored and for the removal of debris in connection therewith.*

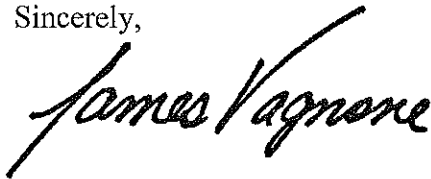
Please ensure that you contact this office within 30 days for any required demolition and/or debris removal permits and to update staff on plans for the future use of your property.

Additionally, please be advised that permits and inspections will be required should you chose to repair or replace the residence.

Please feel free to contact me at 937-498-8132 with any questions as you work toward responding to Sidney Ordinances within the next thirty (30) days.

I thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Vagnone". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

James Vagnone
Building Inspector

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