## **STAFF REPORT:** FEBRUARY 9, 2022 MEEETING **ADDRESS:** 1404 ATKINSON **FILE NO:** #22-7649 **HISTORIC DISTRICT**: ATKINSON AVENUE **OWNER:** STUART& ANTU SEGAL

## SCOPE: DEMOLITION ORDER/DEMOLISH FIRE-DAMAGED BUILDING

## **REPORT:**

Note that *Detroit City Code, Chapter 21, Section 21-2-74. "Emergency issuance"* states the following:

Where it is determined by the Director of the Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department that work is immediately necessary for the protection of public health and safety, the Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department may issue a permit for the necessary work and shall immediately notify the Historic District Commission of that action.

Per email correspondence received by HDC staff on 1/6/2022, Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department (BSEED) staff visited 1404 Atkinson and "... found extensive fire damage to 2-story, 2-family brick building, mostly destroyed by fire and collapsed to ground and basement with open void hazard. Remaining section of the exterior west wall and front columns are structurally unsound, leaning and their collapse is imminent. Debris from damaged / collapsed structure scattered throughout property and on to public ROW, damaged structure is completely open to trespass, a blight and near public ROW." The BSEED Director therefore issued a "Notice of Emergency Ordered Demolition" on 1/5/2022 to address the unsafe conditions. Please see the attached order which serves BSEED's notice of the demolition to the HDC in compliance with Detroit City Code, Chapter 21, Section 21-2-74.



1404 Atkinson, current appearance



1404 Atkinson, 2019 Google Streetview image, appearance prior to fire