October 11, 2021

Downtown Topeka Property Owner,

As a public courtesy, the City of Topeka Planning & Development Department is providing this notice to make you aware of the proposed demolition of properties located at 112-114, 116, and 118 SE 7th Street, and also 629 SE Quincy Street. These properties are within the South Kansas Avenue Commercial Historic District, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Topeka Landmarks Commission will evaluate these proposed demolitions consistent with Kansas Historic Preservation Law at their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 4, 2021.

Under Kansas Historic Preservation Law, a review of the proposed demolitions must be conducted by the Topeka Landmarks Commission (TLC) to determine the demolition’s effect on the historic integrity of the buildings and the surrounding historic district. If the TLC determines that the demolition of these buildings will damage or destroy their historic integrity, under Kansas Historic Preservation Law, that finding can then be appealed to Topeka’s Governing Body for their consideration of prudent and feasible alternatives.

Therefore, under the provisions of the City of Topeka’s adopted Demolition Delay Policy, if you are aware of any legitimate and viable interest or means to restore or preserve these structures, please contact our office.

If you, as a property owner within Downtown Topeka have questions, you may contact me for further assistance at 368-3728.

Sincerely,

Timothy Paris
Historic Preservation Planner II