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**Subject:** RE: 269 Rock Hill Rd

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Ms. Gerson,

After further review, it appears that this property is not located in the city limits but in Buncombe County. I am copying Jon Creighton, Assistant County Manager of Buncombe County.

Cathy

-----Original Message-----

From: Cathy Ball  
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 4:57 PM  
To: 'jleegerson@gmail.com'  
Cc: Gary Jackson; Paul Fetherston; Jaime Matthews; Maggie Burleson; Greg Shuler; Jason Nortz  
Subject: FW: 269 Rock Hill Rd

Ms. Gerson,

I am forwarding this e-mail to our Public Works Director and Development Services Director so they can look at various code issues within their respective departments.

They will follow up with you after staff evaluates the site.

Thanks for notifying us of this issue. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

My best,  
Cathy

-----Original Message-----

From: Jessica Gerson [mailto:jleegerson@gmail.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 4:14 PM  
To: Gary Jackson; Paul Fetherston; Cathy Ball; Jaime Matthews; Maggie Burleson  
Subject: 269 Rock Hill Rd

Dear City Official,

I am writing regarding our community concern for the property on 269 Rock Hill Rd in Asheville. Many of us in the surrounding neighborhood have numerous concerns about the dangers this property adds to the area. The home is abandoned and deteriorating. It is dangerous and an eyesore.

Safety Concerns-

- The property is a Fire hazard. There are dead trees, exposed electrical wires.
- There are varmints occupying the property. I have witnessed many opossums, raccoons and more coming in and out of the property. It is also a habitat perfect for insects and it smells horrible.
- I have witnessed many people in surrounding homes enter the property, take items from the property. Neighbors have taken items to burn and sell. I have witnessed many people enter the property and browse around.
- There is a Elementary, Middle and High School bus stop right at the end of Busbee View Rd and Rock Hill Rd. The children are dropped off and picked up right next to this property.

I am trying to sell my home at 105 Busbee View Rd adjoining the property. After over a dozen showings the feedback I am receiving is that the Property at 269 Rock Hill Road is too much of an eyesore and danger for buyers to consider purchasing my home. This is saddening, we have a beautiful home that we have invested in for the last 10 years. We had faith that The City of Asheville would have taken care of this dangerous unsightly nuisance by now.

Rock Hill Road is becoming increasingly popular. It is used by many residents connecting the Oakley area to the Sweeten Creek/Hendersonville Road area. Oakley is a very up and coming area with businesses and residents growing quickly. We have seen a dramatic increase in the use of this road. This property is right along this path. Asheville is a lovely community, this property should not be a representation of this area. The condemned property should be taken down to prevent the event of a fire, varmints taking it over, injury or other unfortunate possibilities.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Gerson