

**From:** [LORA BAKER](#)  
**To:** [daisy@columbusnc.com](mailto:daisy@columbusnc.com)  
**Subject:** FOIA Request Lora  
**Date:** Friday, November 3, 2023 3:35:16 PM

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**From:** LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2023 3:36 PM  
**To:** Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)>  
**Cc:** [manager@columbusnc.com](mailto:manager@columbusnc.com) <[manager@columbusnc.com](mailto:manager@columbusnc.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Dilapidated House

What's the address for the beechwood house?

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**From:** Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2023 2:47 PM  
**To:** LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Dilapidated House

Hey Lora, we are planning on serving the Administration Inspection Warrant tomorrow. If you want me to, I can pick it up from you in the morning and take it and Tim to the magistrate's office to get it signed. Let me know if you have other ideas. Thank you.

On Wed, Aug 9, 2023 at 10:56 AM Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)> wrote:  
He told me that it looks like next Wednesday. I guess on the 16th.

On Wed, Aug 9, 2023 at 10:31 AM LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)> wrote:  
I saw Tim yesterday. It sounds like between his schedule and whichever health administrator he was speaking to, we won't be able to execute the administrative warrant until middle of next week. Is that what you've heard?

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**From:** Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 7, 2023 8:45 AM  
**To:** LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Dilapidated House

I don't know if you heard anything from Tim, but I have not.

On Fri, Aug 4, 2023 at 9:52 AM Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)> wrote:  
I talked to Tim, he said he is going to call the building inspector to see if he can go with us. He said he would let me know after he talks to him. My best day is Monday, then Thursday and Friday. I have some things going on Tuesday and Wednesday.

On Fri, Aug 4, 2023 at 9:07 AM LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)> wrote:  
I'm good just about whenever. I know Tim didn't want us to get it until he had time to go out, since it's a pretty quick turnaround. Any chance you and he could coordinate

schedules and let me know a time that works for you and I'll try to make myself available?

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**From:** Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, August 3, 2023 4:57 PM

**To:** LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)>

**Subject:** Re: Dilapidated House

Any ideas about when you want to do this?

On Wed, Aug 2, 2023 at 4:49 PM Scott Hamby <[scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com](mailto:scott.hamby@columbusncpd.com)> wrote:

I am available whenever you want to proceed.

On Wed, Aug 2, 2023 at 4:28 PM LORA BAKER <[lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com](mailto:lbaker@feaganlawfirm.com)> wrote:

Tim & Chief:

I thought I'd touch base in regards to the Beechwood property. Do we still want an administrative warrant issued, and if so, when should we request it? I know we have a short timeframe to execute it, so we need to schedule when to request.

In looking at the UDO, it doesn't appear to me that the property being 'abandoned' gives us a cause of action at the moment. Unless I'm reading it incorrectly, I think we have to go through the hearing process, issue an order, the order not be complied with, and then after a year we can determine that it has been abandoned. It appears to me that to proceed, we need a warrant to access the property, it needs to be inspected pursuant to the warrant, and then we need to determine if the cost to repair will exceed 50% of its worth (or thereabouts).

Let me know a timeframe that works for you two.

Thanks,  
Lora Baker  
Feagan & Baker

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