

**TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**  
**\*DECLARATION OF 202 WEST STREET AS A BLIGHTED PROPERTY:**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022\***

The Town of Smithfield received a written complaint concerning the condition and security of the structure currently located at 202 West Street, Smithfield VA 23430 (TPIN:21A-06-E007).

Town staff sent and advisory notice on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 requesting that the owners secure the doors and windows on the structure.

Town staff has determined the property at 202 West Street meets the Smithfield Town Code's definition of blighted.

On Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, a certified letter was mailed to the owners of record, informing them that their property located at 202 West Street (TPIN:21A-06-E007) was deemed a blighted property by Town staff, and ordered them to submit a Spot Blight Abatement Plan to cure the blight within thirty (30) days, in accordance with Smithfield Town Code (STC) Section 22-2.b.1.

According to STC Section 22-2.b.4 the owner has failed to respond with a Spot Blight Abatement Plan thus far, and staff do not expect a Plan within the thirty (30) day period.

In accordance with Section 22-2.b.2, Town staff request that Town Council determine the Plan is not acceptable, and the Town Council shall declare the property as blighted and develop an abatement Plan. Town staff suggest securing and boarding up the structure.

For your convenience, a copy of the Smithfield Town Code Section 22-2 is included with this staff report.

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