



# CITY OF LIMA

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Lima City Council  
50 Town Square  
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Re: Modification to Voluntary Demolition Project

Dear Council:

The Mayor has authorized legislation to modify the Voluntary Demolition Program established under Ordinance 06-23. The modification allows for demolition of structures under additional terms or criteria identified by the Public Works Director that are consistent with the goals of the program, including but not limited to, including demolition of rental units: 1) being located on a main corridor of the city as determined by the Public Works Director; 2) located within an area of planned neighborhood revitalization or school improvements as determined by the Public Works Director; and 3) allows the 2-year ownership requirement to be waived. Fourteen demolitions were completed under the program in 2023. The \$1.5 million allocated under the Mayor's Better Together Plan will be utilized until expended at which time the program will end.

Sincerely,

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Kirk Niemeyer  
Public Works Director

Reviewed:

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Meri Foster  
Director of Finance

Approved:

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Sharetta T. Smith, JD, MBA  
Mayor