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Mr. Brian Jimenez,

We have been very busy at the property the last 45-60 days, as I'm sure you are aware. This had included moving, sorting and disposing of large quantities of materials and items, both from all the structures as well as from the surrounding yard areas.

This last week we have formalized auction contract agreements with Mark Elston at Elston Auction Company, 785-218-7851. This consists of 2 auctions to be held in the near future. The initial auction is scheduled for May 26th and will concern the vehicles, dimension lumber items, steel and wire scrap as well as a number of other items. The follow up auction is scheduled for June 24th and will concern household items such as chairs, tables, kitchen items and such. Mark Elston has indicated that the way things typically go, everything should be removed and cleaned up within a couple weeks after the auctions, depending on the nature of the items. Most items will be removed fairly immediately to the sale date.

The timing of the auctions was predicated on openings available on weekends, due to the parking nightmare in the area that would have occurred during a weekday auction. Also, who would have thought that now would create such a auction timing backlog. Dates available when we started talking with Mark, were well into the summer. The 26th was really the first opening, and that of course is the start of Memorial day weekend.

We will be preparing for the upcoming auctions in the weeks to come, as well as continuing to improve the conditions at 1106. In the meantime, we are still assessing the structure conditions with other parties as to how we will be proceeding. I have been in touch with several contractors, architectural contacts, engineers and real estate personnel in proceeding with evaluations and decisions. Also, several people/groups have been in contact with us regarding the property.

A common thought has been the pending City Commission meeting on the 15th and the unknown direction those discussions will take. Hopefully, you and the city staff can be supportive of the efforts that we have recently undertaken regarding the property and help to relieve some of the pressures affecting the current situation. This would go a long ways towards making discussions more reasonable and productive. There has been an undercurrent of "this property situation is under severe duress and a decision has to be made within the next few day or we aren't interested" aspect to some of the discussions. I am not saying that we want things to go back to the way they were. We all know that the property needs some attention to return it to a productive and attractive state. It also is a large and potentially very costly project that is 140 years old and we all only get 1 chance with these decisions.

The family will be continuing discussions with interested parties in the coming weeks in regards to exactly how we will be proceeding with the property. Finalization of planning should be nearing completion in correlation with the auction timing of early/mid summer.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

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