

99.705 Definitions.

Unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Blighted" or "deteriorated" property means any vacant structure or vacant or unimproved lot or parcel of ground in a predominantly built-up neighborhood:
 - (a) Which because of physical condition or use is regarded as a public nuisance at common law or has been declared a public nuisance in accordance with a city of any class, or in counties containing a city of the first class or consolidated local government, with the housing, building, plumbing, fire, or related codes;
 - (b) Which because of physical condition, use, or occupancy is considered an attractive nuisance to children, including but not limited to abandoned wells, shafts, basements, excavations, and unsafe fences or structures;
 - (c) Which because it is dilapidated, unsanitary, unsafe, vermin-infested, or lacking in the facilities and equipment required by the housing code of a city or county containing a city of the first class or consolidated local government, has been designated by the department responsible for enforcement of the code as unfit for human habitation;
 - (d) Which is a fire hazard, or is otherwise dangerous to the safety of persons or property;
 - (e) From which the utilities, plumbing, heating, sewerage, or other facilities have been disconnected, destroyed, removed, or rendered ineffective so that the property is unfit for its intended use;
 - (f) Which by reason of neglect or lack of maintenance has become a place for accumulation of trash and debris, or a haven for rodents or other vermin;
 - (g) Which has been tax delinquent for a period of at least three (3) years; or
 - (h) Which has not been rehabilitated within the time constraints placed upon the owner by the appropriate code enforcement agency.
- (2) "Redevelopment" means the planning or replanning, design or redesign, acquisition, clearance, development, and disposal or any combination of these, of a property in the preparation of such property for residential and related uses, as may be appropriate or necessary.
- (3) "Residential and related use" shall mean residential property for sale or rental and related uses; including but not limited to park and recreation areas, neighborhood community service, and neighborhood parking lots.
- (4) "Vacant property review commission" means a commission established by ordinance to review vacant properties to make a written determination of blight and deterioration.

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