## Mature Area Derelict Residential Subclass

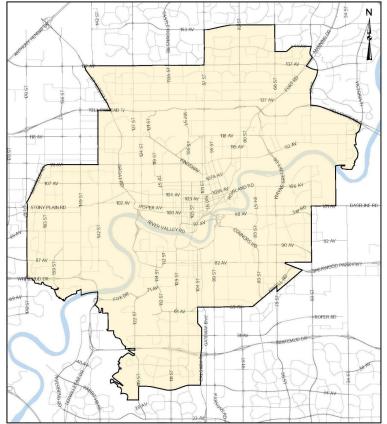
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## **Mature Area Derelict Residential - Definition**

- → Falls within the geographic area as displayed on Schedule A
- → Contains a residential living area, and shows serious signs of neglect, is dilapidated, falling into significant disrepair, or is uninhabitable.
  - Deserted or abandoned properties
  - Partially or fully boarded up or secured properties
  - Properties found to be unfit for habitation
  - Abandoned during construction or demolition

## **Subclass Area**



## **Preliminary Inspections**

- All residential properties in the area have been inspected
- → We have identified 326 property accounts that currently meet the definition of derelict
- → This includes 19 multi-family properties.
- These properties are still being reviewed, and the number will likely change.



## **Timeline**



#### **Inspections Completed**

Neighbourhoods inspected, photos collected, derelict properties

#### Letters to Affected Property Owners

Letter to affected property owner informing them of the new subclass, tax implications and recommended remedies

#### **Year-End Inspections**

Final inspections of previously identified properties to confirm status for following taxation year

#### Assessment Notices Mailed

January 15 Assessment Notice mailout - notices will indicate derelict status and how to communicate with an assessor or appeal the classification

#### **Appeal Deadline**

March 25 deadline to file a complaint with the Assessment Review Board if property owners wish to contest classification

#### **Tax Bylaw and Tax Notices Mailed**

Tax Bylaw passed in the final week of April to confirm tax rate. Tax notices printed in May and sent in late May with June 30 payment deadline



### **Next Steps**

- → Assessment Subclass Bylaw
  - Authorizes the division of the residential assessment class based on the definition of derelict property
- → Tax Bylaw
  - Apply derelict tax rate equal to non-residential tax rate
  - Legal flexibility, but technical limitations

# **Questions?**