



**TO:** Members of the Troy City Council  
**FROM:** Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney  
Susan M. Lancaster, Assistant City Attorney  
**DATE:** April 10, 2006  
**SUBJECT:** City of Troy v. Ronald Greismayer

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Due to uninhabitable conditions at the home at 2766 Rhodes in the City of Troy, the City filed a nuisance lawsuit against the property owner, Ronald Greismayer. This lawsuit was filed only after the City had exhausted other means of abating the nuisance and obtaining compliance with the City of Troy ordinances. The City was especially concerned about this home, since the home was infested with pests and vermin.

The City's continuing compliance efforts, coupled with the pending lawsuit, led the home owner to eventually take action to get the home in a habitable condition. Specifically, the property owner was able to sell the home to a person that had resources to complete the necessary abatement of the nuisances. This sale occurred in March, and the new property owner has already removed all of the litter and debris in the home, which has since been gutted to allow for necessary improvements.

The lawsuit was filed against Mr. Griesmayer, who sold his interest in the home, and vacated the home, in favor of alternative lodging arrangements. After the sale of the home, the nuisance was abated, which was the ultimate goal of the City's lawsuit. Therefore, it is no longer necessary to pursue the civil lawsuit against Mr. Griesmayer. At the City's request, the Court entered a voluntary dismissal of the case on March 29, 2006. A copy of the dismissal is attached for your information.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please let us know.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE OAKLAND COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

CITY OF TROY,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. 05-070283-CZ  
Hon. Gene Schnelz

vs.

RONALD JOSEPH GREISMAYER, a/k/a  
RONALD JOSEPH GRIESMAYER

Defendant.

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NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL BY PLAINTIFF

The Plaintiff, City of Troy, voluntarily dismisses the above-entitled action pursuant to MCR 2.504(A)(1)(a) and dismisses the complaint without prejudice.

I, certify, under penalty of contempt, that:

- a. This notice is the first dismissal filed by the Plaintiff based upon or including the same claim against the Defendant.
- b. All costs of filing and service have been paid.
- c. No answer or motion has been served upon the Plaintiff by the Defendant as of the date of this Notice of Voluntary Dismissal and a Default has been filed by the Plaintiff against the Defendant.

- d. The premises that is the subject of this action has been sold and proof of sale presented to Plaintiff.
- e. A copy of this Notice of Voluntary Dismissal has been provided to the Defendant by first class mail to his last known address.

Date: March 24, 2006

  
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