104 N Mitchell St Preston, IA



Property History

The property consists of a 3,174 square foot church building with basement located on approximately 0.19 acres in downtown Preston. Property was undeveloped until 1920 when the church was built. The church operated from 1920 to 1984. From 185 to 2020 the property was occupied as retail antique store and wood shop. In 2020 the owner passed away and the property has been underutilized and deteriorating in need of repairs since. Potential buyers have been reluctant to acquire due to environmental concern and uncertainty given age of the structure.

| Property Assessment Details | |
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| Phase I | June 28, 2023 |
| Asbestos Inspection | June 28, 2023 |

City was considering acquiring and had a Phase I and an Asbestos Inspection completed on the site in June 2023.

First step was to determine the level of environmental contamination in the structure and on the site.



The Phase did not identify any RECs in connection with the Site. No further investigation was recommended other than an asbestos inspection.

The Asbestos Inspection found asbestos containing material above statewide standards present in the building structure requiring abatement prior to renovation of the structure.

| Funding Sources | | |
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| ECIA Brownfields Coalition – US EPA | \$14,734.51 | |
| Assessment Grant Funds | | |

Redevelopment

Funding is needed for cleanup, renovation, and redevelopment of the site.

| Property Details | |
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| Property Address: | 104 N Mitchell St, Preston, IA |
| Former Uses: | Church, Retail Store and Wood Workshop |
| Contaminants: | Asbestos |
| Current Use - Improvements: | Vacant |
| Current Owner: | Richard E. Rossman (deceased); c/o Marie Rossman |
| Project Partners: | City of Preston, Jackson County Economic Authority, United State Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) East Central Intergovernmental Association (ECIA) |

