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Resolution directing and authorizing the Department of Permits, Licenses and Inspections, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget, to perform a cost analysis of creating an in-house demolition division.

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh has stopped contracting for demolitions and in order to maintain conditions of neighborhoods, the City of Pittsburgh must demolish on average 400 condemned properties per year, along with demolishing properties that have been damaged by fire or natural disasters.

WHEREAS, demolitions of condemned property is a quality of life issue that lowers property values of neighboring homes.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Department of Permits, Licenses and Inspections, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget, is hereby directed and authorized to perform a cost analysis of creating an in-house demolition division.

Section 2. The cost analysis will show the benefits of having an in-house demolition division, in conjunction with private contractors, and any cost savings of both the in-house division and packaging of properties with contractors, with the ultimate goal of increasing the number of demolitions in a fiscal year.

Section 3. The completed analysis shall be submitted to the City Clerk on or before August 31, 2015.