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Tax forfeited land sale scheduled for Feb. 12

St. Louis County will be holding a public auction of tax forfeited properties, and included on the list are several formerly blighted properties that have since been removed to make way for new development. The tax forfeited properties auction will be held on Thursday, February 12, beginning at 10 a.m. The sale will take place, for the first time ever, at the Public Safety Building, 2030 North Arlington Avenue, Duluth.

The auction features nearly 30 properties from throughout the county, including empty lots and residential and commercial buildings. A catalog with photos, maps and details about each property, including the starting bid price, is available online to view or downloaded at stlouiscountymn.gov/land, or by calling (218) 726-2606. For convenience on the day of the auction, pre-registration is encouraged but not required. Registration can be done online, or by filling out a form that is included in the catalog.

Within St. Louis County, there are nearly 900,000 acres of tax forfeited properties, which the county's Land and Minerals Department is responsible for managing. Most of the land is maintained for forest management, but for smaller parcels located within cities and townships, the county tries to sell them as a means to encourage development and increase the property tax base. Additional auctions will take place on June 11 at the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot) and on October 8 at the Miners Memorial Building in Virginia.

To learn more about the February land sale, view parcels available for purchase at any time, or sign up to be notified about future sales, visit stlouiscountymn.gov/land or call (218) 726-2606.

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