

## **Anoka Condemns Apartments Flooded with Sewage**

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The City of Anoka condemned an apartment building that was flooded with sewage, but it's not forcing the residents out. Instead city officials gave the building owner an ultimatum.

Wednesday the Anoka city manager said the landlord of the Golfview apartment building has been told that if he doesn't fix the problem by 7 a.m. Thursday, the city will fix it for him and hit him with a hefty fine.

The problems began Dec. 3 when a sewage pump broke and flooded the first floor. Three weeks later, the problem remains. The toilets don't flush. Drains are clogged and residents refuse to drink the water.

The city condemned the building and told the 18 families who live in the building to leave. But Wednesday the city eased the condemnation order.

It's letting the families stay for now, and encouraging the landlord to meet the Thursday deadline for repairs.

5 EYEWITNESS NEWS tried to question the landlord, but he drove away from our crew.