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## Interested in an 1855 home? Rice County wants to hear from you

Rice County is looking for individuals, groups or organizations interested in relocating a 167-year-old Faribault home to a property of their choosing.

The vacant, 1,300-square foot house, built in 1855, went into tax forfeiture last spring and has been turned over to the county. An October 2021 attempt to auction the property, which lies just north of the city's downtown, drew no bids, according to Property Tax & Elections Director Denise Anderson.

Though the house dates back to the days of John North and Alexander Faribault, it is not listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The home's interior has been gutted in an apparent renovation attempt, and it sits on a very small lot that has no street access and no space for a driveway.

Anderson has planned an informational meeting for those interested in responding to a request for proposals (RFP), which was approved Tuesday by the Board of Commissioners. That meeting will be held from 9-9:30 a.m. Monday, April 25 at the site, 805 Central Ave., Faribault.

Proposals are due to Anderson by 4 p.m. Friday, May 6 via email at [danderson@co.rice.mn.us](mailto:danderson@co.rice.mn.us) or through the U.S. mail at Rice County Property Tax & Elections Director, 320 Third St. NW, Faribault, MN 55021.



Rice County is looking to have a vacant home at 805 Central Ave NW in Faribault moved from its location. Those interested should submit a proposal to the county by May 6. (Rice County photo)

The Board of Commissioners is expected to award a contract on May 24.

Find the full RFP, which includes insurance and submission requirements, at [bit.ly/805central\\_rfp](https://bit.ly/805central_rfp).

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