Best Practices for Demolition

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Can You Find Demo in the Room?
Two Paths Diverged In a Neighborhood...

And you need to look closely at both:

- In House Demo
- Contract Demo
Contract Demo:

- Probably more expensive
- But someone else has all the headaches
  - Yea, Right...
In House Demo:

- Do you have the expertise?
- Do you have the capacity?
- Do you have the buy in?
- Does it still seem cheaper?
Political Will:

• Don’t leave home without it
• Remind me to tell you about the time...
Relocation:

- I wouldn’t presume to tell you what to do but, I will share my one rule on relocation

  -- DON’T DO IT.
Before:

• Even if you can recite the Uniform Relocation Act backwards the night after the Dawgs win the SEC, Don’t do it.
  • You have plenty of empty houses to focus on;
  • If the house is that bad, they’ll move before you clean up the town;
  • Save your money. You have a Gorilla to feed.
Gorilla Feed:

- Tipping fees;
- Man and equipment hours;
- Environmental;
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- Did I mention Environmental?
Environmental - Local

• Dust, Noise, Trepidation;
• These will cause your political support to lose their next election
Environmental - External

• EPD, EPA

• This will cause you to wonder where all this free time came from and why the City budget was in the red when you left.
There’s No Need For That
Getting Your Money Back

• You won’t;
• Well maybe;
• Probably not;
• Why again isn’t the private sector doing this?
Getting Your Money Back – a slight reprise

- Liens;
- Sales;
- Squeezing blood from turnips.
A Really Neat Idea

• The Detroit Model
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