

# BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, September 22, 2010

The Building and Standards Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2010 at City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas.

Chair David Brown called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

Commission Members in Attendance:

David Brown, Chair; Dr. Ethelynn Beebe, Vice Chair; Daniel Gonzalez, Tim Hill

#### Staff in Attendance:

Sonja Prevo, Commission Coordinator; Viola Ruiz, Scribe/Commission Coordinator; Dennis Vaughn, Investigator; Luther Perez, Investigator; Terry Hurd, Inspection Supervisor; Steve Ramirez, Assistant Division Manager; Melissa Martinez, Division Manager; Julie Long, Detective Austin Police Department

### 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:GENERAL

a. None

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. The minutes from the meeting of 08/24/10 were approved on Commission Member Tim Hill's motion, Commission Member Ethelynn Beebe second on a 4-0-0 vote.

#### 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Commission will hear the following cases and may issue an order to vacate, repair, demolish, secure, and/or issue penalties:

Commission Coordinator Sonja Prevo presented the following cases:

a. CL 2010-076021 404 Franklin Boulevard, Building B Pier Sircello & William Mautz

Case withdrawn due to compliance

b. CL 2010-076087 1511 Redd Street Anselmo L. Alvarez 1511 Redd Street is a Residential Single Family Structure. Travis County Appraisal District shows that Anselmo L. Alvarez as the owner of this property. This case was not represented. City of Austin Code Compliance found that this property is a public nuisance and dangerous.

The staff recommended that the Commission order the Residential Single Family Structure to be demolished and the lot left in a cleaned and racked condition within 30 days of the date the order is mailed to the owner, that the Commission require the owner or owner's representative to request inspection(s) to verify compliance, that if compliance is not achieved within 30 days, the Building Official may proceed with the demolition, and that after the 30 days, the Residential Single Family Structure, including items in the structure and on the property, will be considered debris and disposed of as such. A lien for all expenses incurred by the City of Austin will be filed with Travis County Deed Records.

A motion to accept staff's recommended Oder for demolition was made by Commission Member Ethelynn Beebe, Commission Member Tim Hill second motion on a 4-0-0- vote.

c. CL 2010-076074 3607 Convict Hill Road Capitol Area Branch 201 3670 Convict Hill Road is a Commercial Structure. Travis County Appraisal District shows that Capitol Area Branch 201 as the owner of this property. This case was represented by Robert A. Holcomb, Vice-President of Capitol Area Branch 201. City of Austin Code Compliance found that this property is a public nuisance and dangerous with substandard conditions. The staff recommended that the Commission order the Commercial Structure to be demolished and the lot left in a cleaned and racked condition within 30 days of the date the order is mailed to the owner, that the Commission require the owner or owner's representative to request inspection(s) to verify compliance, that if compliance is not achieved within 30 days, the Building Official may proceed with the demolition, and that after the 30 days, the Commercial Structure, including items in the structure and on the property, will be considered debris and disposed of as such. A lien for all expenses incurred by the City of Austin will be filed with Travis County Deed Records.

The motion to accept staff's recommended Order with an amendment of 60 days for demolition instead of 30 days was made by Commission Member Tim Hill, Commission Member Ethelynn Beebe second on a 4-0-0 vote.

d. CL 2006-023848 107 Brushy Street Michael Anthony Cancino 107 Brushy Street is a Residential Single Family Structure. Travis County Appraisal District shows that Michael Anthony Cancino as the owner of this property. This case was represented by Michael Anthony Cancino. City of Austin Code Compliance found that this property is a public nuisance and dangerous with substandard conditions. Staff recommends that the Commission rescind the filed Repair Order issued at the October 25, 2006 hearing and allow the accrued penalties for this Repair Order through the date it is rescinded to stand. A lien for the amount of accrued penalties will be filed with the Travis County Deed Records. That the Commission order the Residential Single Family Structure located on the property to be demolished and the lot left in a cleaned and racked condition within 30 days of the date the order is mailed to the owner, that the Commission require the owner or owner's representative to request inspection(s) to verify compliance, that if compliance is not achieved within 30 days, the Building Official may proceed with the demolition, and that after the 30 days, the Residential Single Family Structure, including items in the structure and on the property, will be considered debris and disposed of as such. A lien for all expenses incurred by the City of Austin will be filed with Travis County Deed Records.

The motion to accept staff's recommended Order for demolition was made by Commission Member Daniel Gonzalez, Commission Member Ethelynn Beebe second on a 4-0-0 vote.

## 4. ADJOURNMENT

Chair David Brown moved to adjourn the Commission Meeting; Commission Member Bebee seconded. Meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:30 p.m.