



**BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, March 23, 2011**

The Building and Standards Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

Chair David Brown called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

David Brown, Chair; Ethelynn Beebe, Vice Chair; Tim Hill, Stacy Kaplowitz, and Daniel Gonzalez

Staff in Attendance:

Sonja Prevo, Commission Coordinator; Christopher Moore, Scribe/; Steve Ramirez, Assistant Division Manager; Kathleen Buchanan, Assistant City Attorney; Megan Crump, Staff Attorney; Ron Potts, Assistant Division Manager; Terry Hurd, Supervisor; Jerry Reynolds, Supervisor; John McTier, Investigator; Anthony Major, Investigator; Chris Maldonado, Investigator; Marcus Elliott, Investigator, and Jay Baker, Engineer with Planning & Development Review.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

a. None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. The minutes from the meeting of 2/23/11 were approved on Commission Member Tim Hill's motion, Commission Member Daniel Gonzalez second on a 5-0-0 vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion on findings on appeal language took place and the Commission directed staff to bring sample language at next scheduled meeting for a discussion/vote of approval.

b. Result of discussion and action on the revised bylaws, a motion to amend Article 8. Committees/Working Groups Committees section A to read "The Building and Standards Commission will have no committees, except as provided by sub-section B.", was made by Commission Member Beebe, Commission Member Tim Hill second on a 5-0-0 vote.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Commission Coordinator Sonja Prevo presented the following cases:

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| a. | CL 2011-002264 | 2311 Teri Road, Unit B | Mark Jackman & Carol
Thompson
Appeal |
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2311 Teri Road, Unit B is a Residential Duplex. Travis County Appraisal District shows that Mark Jackman & Carol Thompson are the title owners. This is an abeyance case from January 26, 2011. This case was represented by Al Thompson, with the Management Company of property. City of Austin Code Compliance Department found that this property was open and accessible. Staff recommends that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for this property be adopted and that the Commission deny the appeal and access the full cost of the emergency closure to the owner(s).

A motion to deny the appeal was made by Commission Member Daniel Gonzalez, Commission Member Tim Hill second on a 5-0-0 vote.

dangerous with substandard conditions. The staff recommended to the Commission that a demolition permit be secured, that the residential single family structure located on the property be demolished within 30 days of the date this Order is mailed to the owner. That all portions of residential single family structure be removed and that you require the owner or owner's representative to request inspection(s) to verify compliance. If compliance is not achieved within 30 days, the Building Official may proceed with the demolition. After the 30 days, all portions of the residential single family structure, including items in the structure and on the property will be considered debris and disposed as such. A lien for all expenses incurred by the City of Austin will be filed with the Travis County Deed Records.

A motion to accept staff's recommended Order was made by Commission Member Ethelynn Beebe, Commission Member Stacy Kaplowitz second on a 5-0-0 vote.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair David Brown adjourned the Commission Meeting at 8:35pm without objection.