



## **BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING  
Date: April 24, 2019

The Building and Standards Commission (BSC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at City Hall, Boards and Commission Room, Room 1101, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas.

### **Commission Members in Attendance:**

Jessica Mangrum, Chair; Andrea Freiburger, Vice Chair; Commissioners: Wordy Thompson, Timothy Stostad, John Green, Edgar Farrera, Michael King and Natalya Sheddan; and Ex Officio Commissioner(s): Rolando Rodriguez, Fire Battalion Chief (in place of Tom Vocke, Fire Marshall). Commissioner Pablo Avila was absent.

### **Staff in Attendance:**

Melanie Alley, Code Review Analyst/BSC Coordinator; Robert Moore, Division Manager; Marlayna Wright, Investigator; Farah Presley, Inspector; James Candelas, Program Specialist; Jose Roig, Assistant Director; Franklin Fejarang, Finance Manager; Michael Dial, Code Supervisor; Matt Noriega, Code Supervisor; Alicia Tovar Code Investigator; Robert Ortiz, Code Inspector and Brandon Carr, Assistant City Attorney.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jessica Mangrum called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Vice Chair Freiburger moved to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2019 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Stostad. The motion carried on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Farrera was of dais and Commissioner Avila was absent.

### **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**

#### **General:**

2. No one signed up for Citizen Communication at this meeting.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **New Case(s):**

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Street Address</u>	<u>Owner(s)</u>
3. 2019-055563	5207 Woodland Oaks Court (Exterior)	Naila Shamsi, Sabiha Shamsi & Syed A. Farooq
4. 2019-051040	5207 Woodland Oaks Court (Unit A)	Naila Shamsi, Sabiha Shamsi & Syed A. Farooq
5. 2019-055576	5207 Woodland Oaks Court (Unit B)	Naila Shamsi, Sabiha Shamsi & Syed A. Farooq

No one appeared to represent the property. Staff Exhibits 1, 2A-2G, 3, 4A-4F, 5 and 6A-6G were admitted into evidence by Chair Mangrum. Vice Chair Freiburger moved to close the public hearing and moved to modify the recommended order to include all 3 cases as opposed to 3 separate orders and increase the penalty to \$750 per week on the 46<sup>th</sup> day if not in compliance, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. to amend the recommended order, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The motion carried on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Farrera was off dais and Commissioner Avila was absent.

## Returning Case(s):

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Street Address</u>	<u>Owner(s)</u>
6. 2019-020840	2515 E. 2nd Street	Sylvia Garcia Salinas

Staff Exhibits 3 and 4A-4H were admitted by Chair Mangrum. Vice Chair Freiburger moved to adopt and modify Staff's recommended order by increasing the compliance timeframe from 45 to 90 days, with the penalty to remain at \$140 per week, beginning on the 91<sup>st</sup> day, seconded by Commissioner Sheddan. The motion carried on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Farrera was off dais and Commissioner Avila was absent.

7. 2019-038275	1809 Keilbar Lane	William Henry Stephenson
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Staff photos dated 4-22-2019 were marked as Exhibit 5. Staff Exhibits 3, 4A-4J and 5 were admitted by Chair Mangrum. Vice Chair Freiburger moved to close the public hearing and modify staff's recommendation from repair to demolition, with the City to proceed with demolition on the 46<sup>th</sup> day if not in compliance and, a lien to cover any associated costs incurred by the City regarding the demolition would be filed with the Travis County Deed Records. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Green.

Commissioner Sheddan made a friendly amendment to change the compliance timeframe from 45 to 60 days, which was accepted by Vice Chair Freiburger and Commissioner Green. The motion carried on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Farrera was off dais and Commissioner Avila was absent.

8. 2015-019417, et al.	4801 S. Congress Avenue and Unit Owners of Buildings A-H, J-L, N, and P-T	Bel Air Condominium Homeowners Association
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Updates were provided to the Commission by Austin Code Supervisor Matthew Noriega and Unit P-5 Owner Kevin McDonald. Mr. McDonald a 7-page letter with attachments that were marked as Exhibit 1 and admitted into evidence. Additional testimony was provided by Austin Code Assistant Director Jose Roig, Leslie Chappell of Reconstruction Experts, Inc., Emmalee Crow, the HOA president, and Faye Beck, of Beck and Company, the HOA's outsource company. The Commission chose not to take any further action at this time. Chair Mangrum recused herself and Commissioner Avila was absent.

## Appeal(s):

9. 2014-013674	2102 Rountree Drive	Robert S. Tillotson
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The property was represented by Robert S. Tillotson as the Owner/Appellant. Michael Dial presented Austin Code's rebuttal. Staff recommended the Commission uphold Code's decision to deny the renewal of the license. Commissioner Sheddan moved to close the public hearing and grant the appeal, seconded by Commissioner Freiburger. The motion carried on an 8-0 vote. Commissioner Avila was absent.

## OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

### 10. Annual Election of Commission Officers.

Commissioner Stostad nominated Jessica Mangrum as Chair and Andrea Freiburger as Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Green. Commissioner Stostad made a motion to nominate Chair Mangrum to continue as Chair and Vice Chair Freiburger to continue as Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Green. The Commission voted 7-0 to elect Chair Mangrum and Vice Chair Freiburger to a one-year term, both ending in April of 2020. Commissioner King was off dais. Commissioner Avila was absent.

### 11. Budget recommendations to Council.

The Commission chose not to make a budget recommendation to Council at this time and, instead will revisit this matter in June in order to make a timely recommendation during Council's budget work sessions in August.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. 2300 Gaines Mill Cove / CL 2019-019443** was placed in abeyance for 60 days at the March 2019 meeting and is due to return to the BSC at the May 2019 meeting as a returning case.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Jessica Mangrum adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.