

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Date: May 22, 2019

The Building and Standards Commission (BSC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at City Hall, Boards and Commission Room, Room 1101, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Jessica Mangrum, Chair; Andrea Freiburger, Vice Chair; Commissioners: Natalya Sheddan, Wordy Thompson, Timothy Stostad, Pablo Avila and Ex Officio Tom Vocke, Fire Marshall. Commissioners John Green, Edgar Farerra and James Briceno were absent.

Staff in Attendance:

Melanie Alley, Code Review Analyst/BSC Coordinator; Marlayna Wright, Investigator/ Presenter; Robert Moore, Division Manager; Farah Presley, Inspector; James Candelas, Program Specialist; Moses Rodriguez, Supervisor; Khary Dumas, Inspector; Donna Dunn, Inspector; Michael Marquez, Inspector; Eliza Torres, Inspector; Derek Mobley, Video Production Specialist and Brandon Carr, Assistant City Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jessica Mangrum called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Commissioner Stostad moved to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2019 meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Freiburger. The motion carried on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Green, Farrera and Briceno were absent.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

General:

2. 2015-004473; 5609 Cougar Drive

Owner/partner of OTH Fund 1 LP, William Gottfried appeared before the Commission to request that this case return in June regarding penalty relief.

3. 2018-097125; 7706 Copperas

Owner/partner of Pintail Resources, LLC, David Sajovich appeared before the Commission to request that this case return in June regarding penalty relief.

4. 2015-019417, et al.; 4801 S. Congress Avenue Bel Air Condominiums Community, Inc., Unit Owners of Buildings A-H, J-L, N, and P-T. Leslie Chappell with Reconstruction Experts and Emilee Crow, Bel Air Community Board President appeared before the Commission to request that periodic updates be provided to the Commission regarding the status of repairs being made to the property.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Case Number

5. 2019-070813

New Case(s):

Street Address 3419 Clarksburg Drive

<u>Owner(s)</u> Lee Anne Flores, Amparo D. Pen and Eduardo P. Flores, Jr. Owner Amparo Pen and her husband Chuck Todd appeared to represent the property. Staff Exhibits 1 and 2A-2N were admitted into evidence by Chair Mangrum, as well as Property Owner's Exhibit 1, which were photographs of the repairs. Commissioner Sheddan moved close the public hearing to adopt the recommended order for repair within 45 days from the date the order is mailed and penalties of \$420 per week, which will begin to accrue on the 46th day if not in compliance, seconded by Commissioner Avila. The motion failed on a 5-1 vote, with a single dissenting vote cast by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Sheddan made an amended motion to include that the owner is to request a City inspection by a Code Official within 7 days from the date the Order is mailed, seconded by Commissioner Avila. The motion carried on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Green, Farerra and Briceno were absent.

 Case Number
 Street Address
 Owner(s)

 6.
 2019-071388
 4606 Connelly Street
 Isaac House, LLC

 The owner did not appear at the hearing, and the property was represented by the Lessee. Staff Exhibits 1 and 2A-2P were admitted by Chair Mangrum. Commissioner Avila moved to adopt Staff's recommended order repair within 45 days from the date the Order is mailed, with a penalty of \$1000 per week beginning on the 46th day if not in compliance, seconded by Commissioner Avila. The motion carried on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Green, Farerra and Briceno were absent.

Returning Case(s)

 7. 2019-035886
 2300 Gaines Mill Cove
 R. Patrick & Georgina T. Loesch

 Owner Georgina Loesch appeared to represent the property.
 Staff Exhibits 3 and 4A-4H were admitted into evidence by

Chair Mangrum. Commissioner Sheddan moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Vice Chair Freiburger. Vice Chair Freiburger moved to accept the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law and modify the recommended order for repair by extending the timeframe from 45 to 60 days, and the penalty of \$140 per week would begin to accrue on the 61st day. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Avila. The motion carried on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Green, Farerra and Briceno were absent.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

8. Discussion and Planning regarding Annual Internal Review Report for July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019. The Commission discussed the Annual Internal Review report, identified several goals and objectives for the new calendar year, and asked that Staff draft the report and bring it back at the June meeting for review and further discussion of goals and objectives.

9. Discussion regarding Building and Standards Commission Retreat

The Commission discussed having a Commission retreat, possibly in November. They also decided to wait and consider the new Commissioners' schedules and to bring it back for further consideration at the July meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 10. 2015-004473; 5609 Cougar Drive is to return in June regarding penalty relief.
- 11. 2018-097125; 7706 Copperas Drive is to return in June regarding penalty relief.
- 12. 2015-019417, et al.; 4801 S. Congress Avenue Bel Air Condominiums Community, Inc., Unit Owners of Buildings A-H, J-L, N, and P-T. is to return in June for updates only, to be provided by the Homeowners Association, Reconstruction Experts and/or Staff at the at the June 26, 2019 meeting.
- **13.** Review and discuss draft Annual Internal Review Report for July 1, 2018 June 30, 2019 at the June 26, 2019 meeting. Review draft annual internal review report and discuss additional goals and objectives for the new calendar year.
- 14. Discuss Building and Standards Commission retreat at the July 24, 2019 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jessica Mangrum adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.