

Item #2a

Approval of Minutes

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

April 9, 2009

6:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m., with all members present: David Marlett, Larry Ewing, Ken Szolosi, Bridgett Hoofnagle, John McCutcheon, Kristen Minth and Mike Jusko.

II. CONSENT ITEM

The Commission elected to approve the minutes from the meeting held on December 11, 2008. Larry Ewing motioned to approve the minutes as written, and Kristen Minth seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 7 to 0.

III. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

The following case was heard:

a. BSC-2009-01 for 511 MUNSON

Anna Ankrum approached and gave a brief history on the property in question.

Cliff Griffin stated that the property owner has requested 60 days to have the property in compliance.

James Flores, 511 Munson, stated that he needs sixty days to tear the building down. He and his wife decided that it is not financially feasible to restore the property. The timeframe would allow him enough time to demolish the structure, and it would be completed by June 13, 2009.

The Commission entered into a brief discussion regarding an order for this property.

Larry Ewing motioned to allow the owner sixty days to have the property in compliance. The owner is also required to attend the June 11, 2009, meeting and give an update on the status of the demolition of the structure at the above mentioned address. In the event that the necessary repairs are not completed by the due date, the Commission shall levy civil penalties in the amount of \$250.00 a day. Ken Szolosi seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

The following case was heard:

b. BSC-2008-08 for 801 AUSTIN

Cliff Griffin approached and gave a brief history outlining the actions taken by the Code Enforcement Department. Previously, Staff was going to work with the property owner in getting the property into compliance. Citations have been issued to the property owner, but the property is still in violation. Maureen Green is the owner of the property, and a prominent realtor in the city. She has not made any attempt to communicate with the Code Enforcement Department. More recently (today), attorney Jason Smith, representing Mr. Ramsey, called the Code Enforcement Department and requested an additional 30 days to get the property in compliance, and at the end of that period, if the property is not up to par, civil penalties can be levied at the discretion of the Commission.

There was no one in the audience who wished to speak on behalf of this property.

The Commission entered into a brief discussion regarding a possible order. Kristen Minth commented that the communication between the client and the attorney is questionable, and seeing as how the owner has failed to contact the Code Enforcement Department to date, granting an additional 30 day period to comply is out of the question.

Larry Ewing made a motion to order the owners to bring this property into compliance by April 24, 2009. In the event that this date restriction is not met, civil penalties in the amount of \$500.00 a day should be levied. Kristen Minth seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

The following case was heard:

c. BSC-2009-02 for 602 N. ALAMO

Laura Vallejo approached gave a brief history of the property in question. She stated this structure is not in compliance with the City of Rockwall Property Maintenance Code.

Kristen Minth asked if this property was a bank owned property, because according to the Title Search that was provided by Rockwall County Abstract, the property is now in the hands of Fannie Mae. City Attorney, Pete Eckert, confirmed that this case should be tabled for the time being, until proper notice can be given to the owners of record.

Kristen Minth motioned to table this item until the current owners could be notified. Ken Szolosi seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Kristen Minth motioned to adjourn. Larry Ewing seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Commission Chairman

Commission Recorder

Date

Date

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BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION
October 8, 2009
6:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m., with the following members present: Glenn Carr, David Butler, Ken Szolosi, John McCutcheon, and Mike Jusko. Chairman David Marlett and Bridgett Hoofnagle were absent.

II. CONSENT ITEM

The Commission elected to table the minutes from the meeting held on April 9, 2009. Ken Szolosi swore in new members David Butler and Glenn Carr.

III. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

The following case was heard:

a. BSC-2009-08 for 305 E. KAUFMAN

Anna Ankrum approached and gave a brief history on the property in question.

305 E. Kaufman

The commission ordered that the property owner clean up debris completely by Oct. 16, 2009, or civil penalties in the amount of \$250.00 per day will be accessed.

Cliff Griffin stated that the property owner has requested 60 days to have the property in compliance.

James Flores, 511 Munson, stated that he needs sixty days to tear the building down. He and his wife decided that it is not financially feasible to restore the property. The timeframe would allow him enough time to demolish the structure, and it would be completed by June 13, 2009.

The Commission entered into a brief discussion regarding an order for this property.

Larry Ewing motioned to allow the owner sixty days to have the property in compliance. The owner is also required to attend the June 11, 2009, meeting and give an update on the status of the demolition of the structure at the above mentioned address. In the event that the necessary repairs are not completed by the due date, the Commission shall levy civil penalties in the amount of \$250.00 a day. Ken Szolosi seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

The following case was heard:

b. BSC-2009-0012 for 113 MAPLERIDGE

Robert Wysinger approached and gave a brief history outlining the actions taken by the Code Enforcement Department.

113 Mapleridge

The property owner attended and stated that he would comply with whatever the commission ordered. The commission ordered that the graffiti removed by the 31st of October. (The owner said that he would simply replace the door by the 31st of Oct. In the event that compliance is not met, the commission will levy penalties in the amount of \$250.00 per day)

Previously, Staff was going to work with the property owner in getting the property into compliance. Citations have been issued to the property owner, but the property is still in violation. Maureen Green is the owner of the property, and a prominent realtor in the city. She has not made any attempt to communicate with the Code Enforcement Department. More recently (today), attorney Jason Smith, representing Mr. Ramsey, called the Code Enforcement Department and requested an additional 30 days to get the property in compliance, and at the end of that period, if the property is not up to par, civil penalties can be levied at the discretion of the Commission.

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Larry Ewing made a motion to order the owners to bring this property into compliance by April 24, 2009. In the event that this date restriction is not met, civil penalties in the amount of \$500.00 a day should be levied. Kristen Minth seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

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IV. ADJOURNMENT

Kristen Minth motioned to adjourn. Larry Ewing seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Commission Chairman

Commission Recorder

Date

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