

## DRAFT MINUTES HEARING OFFICER MARCH 8, 2023

Minutes of the regular public hearing of the Hearing Officer, of the City of Tempe, which was held at the Council Chambers, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

### REGULAR SESSION 5:00 PM

**Present:**

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer  
Drew Yocom, Code Compliance Administrator  
Cassidy Hernandez, Administrative Assistant

There were zero (0) interested citizens present.

Meeting convened at 5:00 PM and was called to order by Vanessa MacDonald. Hearing Officer MacDonald stated anyone wishing to appeal a decision will need to file a written appeal within fourteen (14) calendar days, by March 22, 2023 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

#### 1. Agenda Item No. 1

##### **February 21, 2023 Hearing Officer Minutes**

**Vanessa MacDonald**, Hearing Officer, stated that the February 21, 2023 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved.

#### 2. Agenda Item No. 2

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Weaver Property located at 2124 S. Cottonwood Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE224998).

- Melissa Ensing, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Ensing requested a 180-day open abatement for 2124 S Cottonwood Drive.
  - The case was initiated on 08/25/22 for an unregistered / inoperable vehicle and deteriorating landscaping.
  - Two (2) complaints have been submitted to the Code Compliance Division
  - A citation was also issued. The property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
  - The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE224998.

#### 3. Agenda Item No. 3

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Gurley Property located at 1104 E. Campus Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE226247).

- Property has come into compliance therefore, application to abate the property has been withdrawn by Code Inspector, Melissa Ensing.

#### **4. Agenda Item No. 4**

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Moreno Property located at 2349 E. Bishop Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE224477).

- Melissa Ensing, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Ensing requested a 180-day open abatement for 2349 E. Bishop Drive.
  - The case was initiated on 08/01/22 for an inoperable vehicle and deteriorating landscaping.
  - The landscaping was corrected by 10/18/2022 but the inoperable vehicle remained.
  - Junk and debris in the driveway were observed shortly after along with the inoperable vehicle.
  - A citation was also issued. The property owner failed to show for court.
  - The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE224477.

#### **5. Agenda Item No. 5**

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Ehrlich Property located at 406 W. Hermosa Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE225157).

- Property has come into compliance therefore, application to abate the property has been withdrawn by Code Inspector, Hector Heredia.

#### **6. Agenda Item No. 6**

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Gutierrez Property located at 4123 S. College Avenue. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE224156).

- Hector Heredia, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Heredia requested a 180- day open abatement for 4123 S. College Avenue.
  - The case was initiated on 07/18/22 for junk and debris in front and rear yards, and inoperable or unregistered vehicles.
  - A citation was also issued. The property owner failed to show for court.
  - The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE224156.

#### **7. Agenda Item No. 7**

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Hall Property located at 1248 W. 10th Place. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE226906).

- Michelle Van Etton, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Van Etton requested a 180-day open abatement for 1248 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Place.

- The case was initiated on 11/17/22 for deteriorating landscaping and over height grass and weeds.
- No additional complaints have been made to the Code Compliance
- A citation was issued. The property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
- The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE226906.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Drew Yocom announced the next Hearing Officer meeting is scheduled to take place on March 21, 2023 in the Tempe City Council Chambers and broadcast live through Tempe 11.

With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Prepared by: Cassidy Hernandez  
Reviewed by: Drew Yocom

Drew Yocom, Code Compliance Administrator  
For Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer

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