

### **CITY OF TEMPE HEARING OFFICER**

Meeting Date: 03/17/2020

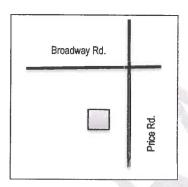
Agenda Item: 2

ACTION: Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Kuhn Property located at 2625 S. River Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe - Code Compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$2102.00 for abatement request: Remove junk & debris from backyard landscape, remove grass & weeds from all gravel landscape areas, return pool to clean & clear condition.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff – Approval of 180 day open abatement

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: City of Tempe - Code Compliance Section requests approval to abate items in violation of the Tempe City Code at the KUHN PROPERTY. The details of this case represent several months of correspondence for compliance with the property owner. Staff requests the approval of abatement of the following nuisance items under Complaint CE197587: Remove junk & debris from backyard landscape, remove grass & weeds from all gravel landscape areas, return pool to clean & clear condition.



**Property Owner** 

Larry & Dana Kuhn

**Applicant** 

City of Tempe - Code Compliance

**Zoning District:** 

R1-4, Single Family Residential

Code Compliance Inspector:

Michael Glab, Code Inspector

**ATTACHMENTS:** Supporting Attachment

STAFF CONTACT: Drew Yocom, Planning & Research Analyst (480-858-2190)

Department Director: Chad Weaver, Community Development Director

Legal review by: N/A

Prepared by: Barbara Simons, Code Inspector

Reviewed by: Drew Yocom, Planning & Research Analyst

#### **COMMENTS:**

Code Compliance is requesting approval to abate the Kuhn Property located at 2625 S. River Drive, in the R1-4, Single Family Residential district. This case was initiated 12/03/2019, after which Code Compliance has attempted to obtain compliance through correspondence with the property owner regarding violations of the Tempe City Code.

Without the intervention of abatement the property will continue to deteriorate. It is therefore requested that the City of Tempe Community Development Hearing Officer approve a 180 day open abatement of this public nuisance in accordance with Section 21-53 of the Tempe City Code.

#### **HISTORY & FACTS:**

The history and facts of this case are detailed in an attached memo from the Code Compliance Inspector.

# Planning Application

City of Tempe
Community Development Department
31 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Garden Level, Tempe, Arizona 85281
(480) 350-4311 Fax (480) 350-8677
Planning Fax (480) 350-8872
http://www.tempe.gov/planning



Part 1 of 2

All applications must be accompanied by the required plans, submittal materials, and correct fee(s) PROJECT INFORMATION - REQUIRED PROJECT NAME EXISTING. **KUHN ABATEMENT** R1-4 ZONING PROJECT ADDRESS SUITE(8) 2625 S RIVER DR., TEMPE, AZ 85282 PROJECT DESCRIPTION PARCEL NO(8) SANTO TOMAS UNIT 6 PER MCR 170-45 133-34-812 ABATEMENT OF CE197587 MARCH 17, 2020 PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION - REQUIRED (EXCEPT PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW) **BUSINESS NAME** ADDRESS CONTACT NAME CITY STATE 7 EMAIL PHONE 1 外ONE 2 I hereby authorize the applicant below to process this application with the City of Tempe. PROPERTY OWNER SIGNATURE X DATE or attach written statement authorizing the applicant to file the application(s) APPLICANT INFORMATION - REQUIRED COMPANY / FIRM NAME ADDRESS CITY OF TEMPE / CODE COMPLIANCE 21 E 6TH ST SUITE 208 CONTACT NAME CITY STATE MICHAEL GLAB / CODE INSPECTOR TEMPE ΑZ 85281-3681 EMAIL PHONE 1 PHONE 2 michael\_glab@tempe.gov (480) 350-5461 I hereby attest that this application is accurate and the submitted documents are complete. I acknowledge that if the application is deemed to be incomplete it will be returned to me without review, to be resubmitted with any missing information. APPLICANT SIGNATURE X Mobea 2/7/2020 BUSINESS INFORMATION - REQUIRED FOR USE PERMITS & SIGN DPRS **BUSINESS NAME ADDRESS** CONTACT NAME CITY STATE 7 TYPE OF BUSINESS PHONE EMAIL. APPLICATION SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR CITY USE ONLY Į. (check all that apply) (see for types) (planning record tracking numbers) PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW A. В. ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS MCIA C. **VARIANCES WAR USE PERMITS / USE PERMIT STANDARDS** D. ZUP E. **ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS** Z()A ZON F. PLANNED AREA DEVELOPMENT OVERLAYS PAD REC G. SUBDIVISIONS / CONDOMINIUMS SEE REC H. **DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW** DPR 1. **APPEALS** J. **GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS GP**A K. **ZONING VERIFICATION LETTERS** ZVL V **ABATEMENTS** CE CM **TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS** 0 FOR CITY USE ONLY DS TRACKING # FILE THIS APPLICATION WITH DATE RECEIVED (STAMP) VALIDATION OF PAYMENT (STAMP) CE / CM TRACKING # El Mindeleiki Nie SINCE THE REPORT OF TOTAL APPLICATION FEES Iff 2nd or 3rd submittal. use planning resubmittal RECEIVED BY INTAKE STAFF (INITIALS)

DATE:

02/07/2020

SUBJECT:

**KUHN Abatement** 

LOCATION:

2625 S RIVER DR, TEMPE, AZ 85282

LEGAL:

LOT 203, BOOK 170, PAGE 045, as recorded with the Maricopa County

Assessor

OWNER:

LARRY & DANA KUHN

**2625 S RIVER DR TEMPE, AZ 85282** 

### **FINDINGS**:

In December of 2019, violations of City Code were observed at the property. Two notices were mailed to the property owner requesting compliance

In January of 2020, Mr. Kuhn contacted my office and requested an extension. An extension was granted. A notice was then posted to the structure. Violations remained after the extension date expired. Abatement process sought to resolve the violations.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The owner(s) of this property, LARRY & DANA KUHN, have made little to no attempt to bring the property into compliance. LARRY & DANA KUHN has had at least one prior abatement conducted on this property. Due to the failure of the property owner(s) to address this matter, a 180-day open abatement period is being sought for this property. I therefore request the City of Tempe Community Development Abatement Hearing Officer for authorization to abate this public nuisance in accordance with Section 21-53 of the Tempe City Code.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL GLAB Code Inspector City of Tempe

**ACTION TAKEN:** 

NAME

DATE:

1/2720



### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABATE PUBLIC NUISANCE

Date: 02/07/2020 Case #: CE196587

**LARRY & DANA KUHN** 2625 S RIVER DR **TEMPE, AZ 85282** 

This serves as notification of the City of Tempe's intentions regarding the abatement of code violations on the following described property:

Location: 2625 S RIVER DR., TEMPE, AZ 85282

Parcel: 133-34-812

This office will submit this complaint to the Community Development Abatement Hearing Officer to be placed on the Hearing Officer agenda to be held on 03/17/2020 at 5pm, at the City of Tempe Council Chambers, located at 31 E. 5th Street, Tempe. We are requesting Hearing Officer Authorization to abate this public nuisance in accordance with Section 21-53 of the Tempe City Code by removal and repair of:

CC 21-3.b.1

Junk/debris

CC 21-3.b.8

Deteriorated landscape

CC 21-3.b.16

Green pool

If the violations have not been corrected within thirty (30) days, our office will proceed with the abatement process. As owner of the property, you have thirty (30) days after receipt of this letter to abate or correct any violation as described below:

CC 21-3.b.1 Please remove the junk/debris from the exterior of the property (e.g. items stored around pool

area in backyard landscape, etc.)

CC 21-3.b.8 Please remove the grass/weeds from the gravel portions of the front and/or side yard landscape.

as well as the backyard area

CC 21-3.b.16 Please return pool water to a clean, clear condition, OR, drain pool and leave as empty pit

Upon receipt of the Hearing Officer approval to abate this public nuisance, the necessary work will be performed at the expense of the property owner. The cost of this work will be \$2,102.00. In addition to the actual cost of abatement, an administrative charge of fifteen(15) percent of the actual cost of abatement or three hundred (\$300) dollars, whichever is greater, for expenses incurred by the City for abatement procedures, and the cost of recording liens and releases will be charged. The recorded lien may bear interest at the legal rate of judgments in the State of Arizona. Administrative charges and the cost of recording liens and releases shall become a lien on the property whether or not the public nuisance is abated by the City.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact our office at (480)350-4311.

Code Inspector: Michael Glab Phone Number: 480-350-5461 E-mail: Michael Glab@tempe.gov



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE CORRECTION NOTICE

12/03/2019

LARRY & DANA KUHN 2621 S RIVER DR TEMPE, AZ 85282

Case #: CE197587

Site Address: 2625 S RIVER DR, TEMPE, AZ 85282

This is a notice to inform you that this site was inspected on 12/03/2019 and found to be in violation of the City of Tempe's Zoning and Development Code (ZDC) and/or Nuisances and Property Enhancement Ordinance, Chapter 21, Article I and/or II of the City Code (CC) as noted. Failure to comply may result in civil citation or criminal charges.

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CC 21-3.b.8	Please remove excessive, dead palm fronds from the palm tree(s) on the property, as well as excessive growth on the Mesquite tree(s).	01/06/2020

Michael Glab Code Inspector

Direct: 480-350-5461

Code Compliance: 480-350-8372 Email:Michael\_Glab@tempe.gov

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# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE POST TO STRUCTURE

01/08/2020

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City Code: Section 21-3, subsections (b) 1-8, 17-19 and 21; Sections 21-4; 21-13; Section 21-24; Section 21-38, subsections (a-k) and (m-q): 1st occurrence \$200 per violation, 2nd occurrence \$300 per violation, 3rd occurrence \$400 per violation |Sections 21-31; 21-32; 21-33; 21-35; 21-36: 1st occurrence \$300 per violation, 2nd occurrence \$500 per violation, 3rd occurrence \$700 per violation | Section 21-3, subsections (b) 9-16 and 20; Sections 21-34, 21-37; Section 21-38, subsection (l): 1st occurrence \$400 per violation, 2nd occurrence \$700 per violation, 3rd occurrence \$1,000 per violation.| Section 21-4 (b) Habitual Offender: 1st occurrence \$550 in addition to other fines, 2nd occurrence \$1,050 in addition to other fines, 3rd occurrence, \$1,550 in addition to other fines.| Section 21-25: \$1,050 per violation. | Zoning and Development Code: 1st occurrence \$170 per violation, 2nd occurrence \$420 per violation, 3rd occurrence \$820 per violation | The city has authority to abate the violation should the owner neglect, fail or refuse to correct the violation within 30 days and to assess a lien against the property for the cost of the abatement. | The city prosecutor is authorized to file a criminal class 1 misdemeanor complaint in the Tempe Municipal Court for violations of these codes.

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#### THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT IS FOR:

NAME: MICHEAL GLAB

FIRM: CITY OF TEMPE

DATE: 2/3/20

### **PROPOSAL**

WE PROPOSE TO DO THE FOLLOWING WORK FOR THE CITY OF TEMPE UNDER CONTRACT # T18-011-03

ADDRESS: 2625 S RIVER DR

1 REMOVAL OF STORED ITEMS FROM BACK YARD AND DRAIN POOL, LANDSCAPE FRONT YARD	\$800.00
2 ESTAMATED DUMP FEES	\$150.00
3 SECURITY BY TEMPE PD	\$552.00
4 TRIM PALM TREES 3RD PARTY	\$600.00
5	\$0.00
6	\$0.00
TOTAL COST OF JOB	\$2,102.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS

**BOB HAMANN** 



