

## MINUTES HEARING OFFICER June 1, 2021

Minutes of the regular public hearing of the Hearing Officer, of the City of Tempe, which was streamed online on WebEx and broadcasted live on Tempe 11 at 5:00pm.

### REGULAR SESSION 5:00 PM

**Present:**

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer  
Drew Yocom, Code Compliance Analyst  
Shelbie Meyer, Administrative Assistant  
Jeff Tamulevich, Code Compliance Administrator

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 June 15, 2021 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

1. The following was noted: -----

- **Agenda Item No. 1**

**May 18, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes**

**Vanessa MacDonald**, Hearing Officer, stated the May 18, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved. -----

2. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **PAWLOWSKI PROPERTY** located at 508 E. Orion Street. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE207582**).

Jeff Tamulevich, Code Compliance Administrator, gave the following overview of this case:

- The Administrator requested a 180-day open abatement to address the violation of City Code, Section 213.b.4, in reference to a trailer parking on landscaping.
- On December 18, 2020, the case was initiated for a trailer illegally parked on the east side of the front yard landscaping.
- Several notices were sent to the property, no avail.
- A citation was issued on March 4, 2021, and the property owner failed to appear in court on March 18, 2021.
- The notice of intent to abate was posted on April 27, 2021.
- There has been no communication with the property owner, yet several anonymous complaints have been received by the Code Compliance office for the parking of the trailer.

- Drew Yocom stated no contact was made by the property owner to speak on this case.

Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement.

3. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **WIDMER PROPERTY** located at 1112 E. Manhattan Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE211416**).

Barbara Simons, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Inspector Simons requested a 180-day open abatement.
- On March 3, 2021, the case was initiated for landscaping violations. Since then, several public complaints have been filed for junk/debris and a broken window, including from the Tempe Police Department.
- On March 24, 2021, the property was inspected, and weeds were still present. A broken window, weeds in gravel landscaping, and junk/debris in the yard was also observed.
- April 13, 2021, the property was inspected, and no changes were observed.
- There has been no communication with the property owner who is deceased. The notices were to Steven P. Widmer.
- Inspector Simons discovered an obituary notice for the owner with a date of death of February 20, 2021.
- On April 28, 2021, the property was inspected, and no changes were observed, thus the Inspector filed for the abatement hearing.
- Inspector Simons shared photos indicated that there were landscaping issues throughout the front/back/side yards, with junk/debris/trash and broken windows in the backyard. She mentioned that someone tried to clean up the landscaping the front yard, but it was still in violation of City Code.

- Drew Yocom stated no contact was made by the property owner to speak on this case.

Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Drew Yocom announced that the next meeting will take place on June 15, 2021 online through WebEx and live on Tempe 11.

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With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 5:17 PM.  
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Prepared by: Shelbie Meyer  
Reviewed by: Drew Yocom

Drew Yocom, Planning and Research Analyst  
For Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer

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