

CITY OF TEMPE HEARING OFFICER

Meeting Date: 07/06/2021

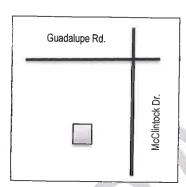
Agenda Item: 4

<u>ACTION</u>: Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Salazar Property located at 1521 E. Bell De Mar Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe – Code Compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$1049.74 for abatement request: front and back yard landscape cleanup.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff – Approval of 180-day open abatement

<u>BACKGROUND INFORMATION</u>: City of Tempe – Code Compliance Section requests approval to abate items in violation of the Tempe City Code at the SALAZAR 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 CE211348: front and back yard landscape cleanup.



Property Owner Applicant Zoning District: Code Compliance Inspector:

Joe E. Salazar III
City of Tempe – Code Compliance
R1-6, Single Family Residential
Julie Scofield - Code Inspector

ATTACHMENTS: Supporting Attachment

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

Department Director. Jeff Tamulevich, Code Compliance Administrator

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 Salazar Property located at 1521 E. Bell De Mar Drive, R1-6, Single Family Residential district. This case was initiated 3/02/21, 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 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 Submittal Form

Part 1 of 2

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



All applications must be accompanied by the required plans, submittal materials, and correct fee(s) PROJECT INFORMATION - REQUIRED PROJECT NAME SALAZAR PROPERTY ABATEMENT R1-6 PROJECT ADDRESS ZONING Tempe, AZ 85283 SUITE(S) PROJECT DESCRIPTION Abatement of CE211348 PARCEL No(s) Hearing is July 6th, 2021 301-92-121 PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION - REQUIRED (EXCEPT PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW & SIGN TYPE K **BUSINESS NAME ADDRESS** 1521 E. Bell De Mar Dr. CONTACT NAME Joe Salazar III CITY STATE Tempe ΑZ 85283 **EMAIL** PHONE 1 PHONE 2 I hereby authorize the applicant below to process this application with the City of Tempe. PROPERTY OWNER SIGNATURE X or attach written statement authorizing the applicant to file the application(s) DATE APPLICANT INFORMATION - REQUIRED COMPANY / FIRM NAME Community Development **ADDRESS** 21 E. 6th St. CONTACT NAME CITY Julie Scofield STATE Tempe ΑZ 85281 **EMAIL** julie_scofield@tempe.gov PHONE 1 PHONE 2 480-350-8951 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 BUSINESS INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR USE PERMITS & SIGN DPRS **BUSINESS NAME ADDRESS** CONTACT NAME CITY STATE ZIP TYPE OF BUSINESS PHONE **EMAIL** APPLICATION SPECIFIC REQUEST $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$ (Check all that apply) FOR CITY USE ONLY for types) (Planning record tracking numbers) A. PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW SPR B. **ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS ADM** C. **VARIANCES** VAR D. **USE PERMITS / USE PERMIT STANDARDS** ZUP E. **ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS** ZOA ZON F. PLANNED AREA DEVELOPMENT OVERLAYS PAD REC G. SUBDIVISION / CONDOMINIUM PLATS SBD REC DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW H. DPR ī. **APPEALS** J. **GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS GPA** K. **ZONING VERIFICATION LETTERS** ZVL Ø L. **ABATEMENTS** CE CM M. SIGN TYPE K GO SE TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR CITY USE ONLY DS TRACKING # FILE APPLICATION WITH DATE RECEIVED (STAMP) VALIDATION OF PAYMENT (STAMP) PL TRACKING# CE / CM / IP TRACKING # SPR TRACKING # (if 2nd or 3rd submittal, TOTAL APPLICATION FEES please use Planning Resubmittal Form) RECEIVED BY INTAKE STAFF (INITIALS)

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR REQUIRED PROJECT DATA

DATE:

05/28/2021

TO:

Michael Spencer, Sr. Code Inspector

FROM:

Julie Scofield

SUBJECT:

Salazar Property Abatement

LOCATION:

1521 E. Bell De Mar Dr. Tempe, AZ 85283

LEGAL:

Tempe Gardens 17

PARCEL:

301-92-121

OWNER:

Joe E. Salazar III

1521 E. Bell De Mar Dr. Tempe, AZ 85283

FINDINGS:

03/02/2021

Complaint came into Neighborhood Enhancement (CE211348) for this property for a deteriorated landscape. The property was inspected. There are grass/weeds growing throughout the gravel landscape. A notice was mailed to the owner, Joe Salazar.

03/16/2021

Reinspected the property. A final notice regarding the landscape, was posted to the property due to the first notice coming back in the mail with no forwarding address.

04/06/2021

Reinspected the property, there has been no change in the landscape. Another final notice was posted to the property, as the weeds in the back yard are coming up over the fencing.

04/28/2021

A citation was issued for the landscape. The citation is #1702289. Pictures were taken to show the condition of the property.

05/20/2021

There has been no change in the landscape and the citation has gone unpaid. Requested bids for the landscape in the front and back of the property. Will be turning in the abatement paperwork.

05/28/2021

Turning in the paperwork for the abatement hearing to be held on July 6th, 2021.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

I am recommending the approval for the abatement at 1521 E. Bell De Mar Dr. The property is owned by Joe Salazar. The owner has been given ample time and opportunities to bring this property into compliance and has failed to take any corrective action. Several notices were mailed, and a citation was issued. I am also requesting that an open abatement of 180 days be granted to cover any future violations.

Submit

Respectfully submitted.

Julie Scofield

ACTION TAKEN:

NAME DATE:



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABATE PUBLIC NUISANCE

Date: 05/28/2021 Case #: CE211348

SALAZAR JOE E III 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR TEMPE, AZ 85283

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

Location: 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR TEMPE, AZ 85283

Parcel: 301-92-121

This office will submit this complaint to the Community Development Abatement Hearing Officer to be placed on the Hearing Officer agenda of July 6th, 2021 located at the Tempe Council Chambers, 31 E 5th Street, at 5pm. 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.8

Landscaping that is substantially dead, damaged or characterized by uncontrolled growth, or presents a deteriorated or slum-like appearance; or any dead trees, bushes, shrubs or portions thereof, including stumps

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.8

Remove all grass and weeds from the gravel landscape in the front yard. Cut all over height grass and or weeds in the back yard.

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 \$1049.74. 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: Julie Scofield Phone Number: 480-350-8951 E-mail: julie_scofield@tempe.gov

Arizona Traffic Ticket and Complaint

City of Tempe Maricopa County State of Arizona



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COMPLAINT

If the defendant fails to appear within the time specified, and either pay the fine for the violation or request a hearing, judgment by default will be entered in the amount of the fine designated on the citation for the violation charged plus a penalty amount.





East Valley Disaster Services, Inc.

257 W. Broadway Mesa, AZ 85210

(480) 833-4538 (Office & 24 Hour Emergency)

Info@evds.co

EIN: 86-0721883 / ROC: B License #097838

Client:

City of Tempe / Nuisance Abatement Services

Property:

1521 East Bell De Mar Drive

Tempe, AZ 85283

Operator:

SKIP

Estimator:

Skip Yaw

Company:

EVDS

Business: E-mail:

(480) 833-4538

skip@evds.co

Nuisance Abaement Services

Type of Estimate: Date Entered:

5/26/2021

Date Assigned:

Price List:

AZPH8X_MAY21

Labor Efficiency:

Restoration/Service/Remodel

Estimate:

21-1442-NUISANCE

Reference #CE211348



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21-1442-NUISANCE

Nuisance Abatement Services

Exterior

Line Item Totals: 21-1442-NUISANCE

DESCRIPTION	QTY	REMOVE	REPLACE	TAX	TOTAL
Nuisance Abatement Services	1.00 EA	0.00	1,016.00	33.74	1,049.74
NOTE: Abatement services includes 1) Cut/removal of overgrown gra	ass and weeds in front	t and back yard.			
2) Haul off and disposal of yard 3) Security provided by City of T		nent.			
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21-1442-NUISANCE

5/26/2021

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Summary

 Line Item Total
 1,016.00

 Material Sales Tax
 33.74

 Replacement Cost Value
 \$1,049.74

 Net Claim
 \$1,049.74

Skip Yaw



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1 13-1521 East Bell De Mar Deive (1)

Date Taken: 5/24/2021



2 14-1521 East Bell De Mar Deive (2)





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Date Taken: 5/24/2021



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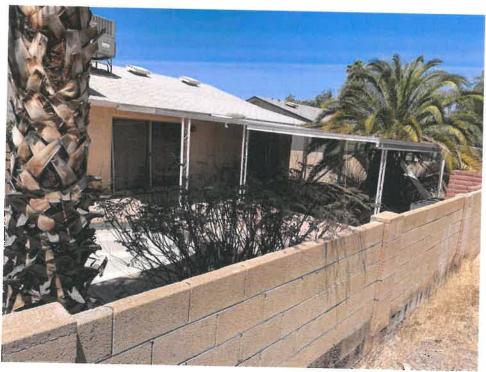
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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE CORRECTION NOTICE

03/02/2021

SALAZAR JOE E III 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR TEMPE, AZ 85283-4109

Case#: CE211348

Site Address: 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR. TEMPE, AZ 85283

SITE REINSPECTION ON OR AFTER: 03/16/2021

This is a notice to inform you that this site was inspected on 03/02/2021 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.

VIOLATION SECTION:

Violation of City of Tempe Code 21-3-B-8

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PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIVE ACTION:

 PLEASE REMOVE ALL GRASS AND OR WEEDS FROM THE FRONT AND OR SIDES OF THE PROPERTY IN THE GRAVEL LANDSCAPED AREAS. ALL GRAVEL LANDSCAPES MUST BE MAINTAINED FREE AND CLEAR OF ANY UNCONTROLLED GROWTH REGARDLESS OF HEIGHT.

Please contact me if you have questions or need further assistance. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Julie Scofield Code Inspector II E-Mail

Direct: 480-350-8951 Code Compliance: 480-350-8372 julie_scofield@tempe.gov

Civil and Criminal Penalties

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.

Please Note: In the event of more than one violation occurring at this property in a calendar year, the property owner may be assessed a reinspection fee of \$75.00 pursuant to City Code Section 21-51, subsection (b).



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03/16/2021

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Case#: CE211348

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SITE REINSPECTION ON OR AFTER: 04/01/2021

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE

FINAL CORRECTION NOTICE

04/06/2021

SALAZAR JOE E III 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR TEMPE, AZ 85283-4109

Case#: CE211348

Site Address: 1521 E BELL DE MAR DR. TEMPE, AZ 85283

SITE REINSPECTION ON OR AFTER: 04/22/2021

This is a notice to inform you that this site was inspected on 04/06/2021 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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- 2. PLEASE CUT ALL OVER HEIGHT GRASS AND OR WEEDS IN THE BACK YARD OF THE PROPERTY.

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Julie Scofield Code Inspector II E-Mail

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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.

Please Note: In the event of more than one violation occurring at this property in a calendar year, the property owner may be assessed a reinspection fee of \$75.00 pursuant to City Code Section 21-51, subsection (b).

