

MINUTES HEARING OFFICER July 21, 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, Community Development Planning and Research 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 August 4, 2021 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

- 1. The following was noted:
 - Agenda Item No. 1

July 6, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer, stated the July 6, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved.

2. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **FKH SFR PROPCO B-HLD LP PROPERTY** located at 740 E Auburn Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE210476**).

Michael Glab, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Inspector Glab requested a 180-day open abatement for deteriorated landscaping, obstruction of sidewalk/roadways, and dead grass landscaping in the front and side yards.
- On January 25, 2021, the case was initiated for deteriorated landscaping, a violation notice was sent.
- One (1) complaint was received by the Code Compliance Division.
- On March 12, 2021, the violations remained, and the inspector sent a second violation notice for compliance.
- On April 26, 2021, the violations remained. The inspector posted a final notice to the structure.
- In June of 2021, the violations remained and continued to get worse. The inspector filed for the abatement process.
- Inspector Glab stated there has been no communication between the owner, property managers, or tenants.

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

Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement.

3. Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **LEVECKE PROPERTY** located at 1046 E Magdalena Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (**CE206009**).

Brandy Zedlar, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:

- Inspector Zedlar requested a 180-day open abatement for over height grass/weeds, obstruction of sidewalk, and dead vegetation in the front, side, and backyards.
- The case was initiated in September 2020 regarding deteriorated landscaping in the front and back yards and sidewalk obstruction. The first violation notice was sent.
- On November 8, 2020, the property was in the same condition with no change.
- On December 30, 2020, after the second violation notice was emailed, the property owner left the inspector a voicemail indicating she needed more time to comply due to COVID-19.
- On February 18, 2021, the property owner emailed the inspector indicated she was unable to leave her primary residence in California due to COVID-19.
- On May 13, 2021, the property remained in violation. Inspector Zedlar left the property owner two (2) voicemails indicating that the abatement process is the next step towards compliance.
- No additional phone calls or contact was made by the property owner since.
- Inspector Zedlar indicated that the Code Compliance division continues to receive complaints regarding the deterioration of this property.

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

Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

 Drew Yocom announced that the next meeting will take place on August 3, 2021 online through WebEx and live on Tempe 11.

With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 5:16 PM.

Prepared by: Shelbie Meyer Reviewed by: Drew Yocom

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

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