

### CITY OF TEMPE HEARING OFFICER

Meeting Date: 09/06/2022

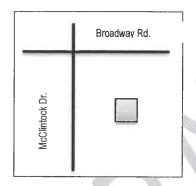
Agenda Item: 3

**ACTION:** Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the Moulton Property located at 1944 E. Meadow Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe – Code Compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$911.00 for abatement request, front yard landscape cleanup

**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 MOULTON 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 CE220751: front yard landscape cleanup.



Property Owner
Applicant
Zoning District:
Code Compliance Inspector:

Timothy L. & Tanya D. Moulton
City of Tempe – Code Compliance
R1-6, Single Family Residential District
Barbara Simons

**ATTACHMENTS:** Supporting Attachment

STAFF CONTACT: Drew Yocom, Code Compliance Administrator

Department Director: Jeff Tamulevich, Community Development Director

Prepared by: Cassidy Hernandez, Administrative Assistant Reviewed by: Drew Yocom, Code Compliance Administrator

#### **COMMENTS:**

Code Compliance is requesting approval to abate the Moulton Property located at 1944 E. Meadow Drive in the R1-6, Single Family Residential District. This case was initiated 02/02/22 following 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 the 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 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Garden Level, Tempe, Arizona 85281
(480) 350-4311 Fax (480) 350-8677
Planning Fax (480) 350-8872
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http://www.tempe.gov/planning All applications must be accompanied by the required plans, submittal materials, and correct fee(s) PROJECT INFORMATION - REQUIRED **EXISTING PROJECT NAME** Moulton Property Abatement R1-6 ZONING SUITE(S) PROJECT ADDRESS 1944 E. Meadow Drive PARCEL No(s) 133-34-086 PROJECT DESCRIPTION Abatement of CE220751 Hearing Officer 09/06/2022 PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION - REQUIRED (EXCEPT PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW & SIGN TYPE K **BUSINESS NAME ADDRESS** 1944 E. Meadow Drive STATE **CONTACT NAME** CITY ΑZ 85282 Timothy L. & Tanya D. Moulton Tempe EMAIL PHONE 1 **PHONE 2** I hereby authorize the applicant below to process this application with the City of Tempe. DATE PROPERTY OWNER SIGNATURE X or attach written statement authorizing the applicant to file the application(s) APPLICANT INFORMATION - REQUIRED **ADDRESS COMPANY/FIRM NAME** 21 E. 6th Street STE 208 City of Tempe / Code Compliance CITY STATE **CONTACT NAME** ΑZ 85281 Barbara Simons / Code Inspector Tempe PHONE 1 PHONE 2 **EMAIL** 480-350-5460 barbara\_simons@tempe.gov 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 9 REQUIRED FOR USE PERMITS & SIGN DPRs **BUSINESS INFORMATION --BUSINESS NAME ADDRESS** STATE **CONTACT NAME** CITY 85281 **EMAIL** TYPE OF BUSINESS PHONE FOR CITY USE ONLY SPECIFIC REQUEST APPLICATION (Check all that apply) (See for types) (Planning record tracking numbers) **PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN REVIEW** SPR A. **ADM** B. ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS VAR C. **VARIANCES** ZUP D. **USE PERMITS / USE PERMIT STANDARDS** ZOA ZON E. ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS F. PAD REC PLANNED AREA DEVELOPMENT OVERLAYS REC G. SUBDIVISION / CONDOMINIUM PLATS SBD **DPR** H. **DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW APPEALS** J. **GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS GPA** ZVL K. **ZONING VERIFICATION LETTERS** Z L. **ABATEMENTS** CE CM GO SE M. SIGN TYPE K TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR CITY USE ONLY DS TRACKING # **FILE APPLICATION WITH** DATE RECEIVED (STAMP) **VALIDATION OF PAYMENT (STAMP)** CE / CM / IP TRACKING # PL TRACKING # **TOTAL APPLICATION FEES SPR TRACKING #** (if 2nd or 3rd submittal, please use Planning RECEIVED BY INTAKE STAFF (INITIALS)

Resubmittal Form)

DATE:

07/19/22

TO:

Julie Scofield, Senior Code Inspector

FROM:

Barbara Simons

SUBJECT:

Request to Authorize for Abatement-Reference Complaint #CE220751

LOCATION:

1944 E. Meadow Drive Tempe, AZ 85282

LEGAL:

Parcel #133-34-086, as recorded with the Maricopa County Assessor

OWNER:

TIMOTHY L. AND TANYA D. MOULTON

1944 E. MEADOW DRIVE

TEMPE, AZ 85282

#### **FINDINGS:**

02/02/22 - Case was opened proactively for over-height grass and weeds in the front yard. Notice to comply was mailed to Timothy and Tanya Moulton on 02/02/22, with a re-inspection date of 02/21/22.

03/09/22 – The property was inspected and the condition was unchanged. Final notice was sent with a reinspection date of 03/28/22.

04/05/22 – The property was inspected and grass areas were still over-height but now dead. A door notice was left at the property asking the owner to contact me regarding the landscape violation.

04/19/22 – The property was unchanged from the previous re-inspection. No contact had been made by the owner. A voice mail message was left for the owner asking them to contact me regarding the violation by April 25<sup>th</sup> or a citation would be issued.

04/27/22 – The property was inspected with no change to its condition. Citation #1702156 was issued to Timothy L. Moulton.

07/19/22 – The property was inspected with no change to its condition. Code Compliance filed for an Abatement Hearing. Notice was posted to the property.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

I recommend the approval of a 180-day open abatement period for landscape cleanup at 1944 E. Meadow Drive, which is owned by Timothy L. and Tanya D. Moulton. The owners have been given ample time and opportunities to bring this property into compliance and have failed to take any corrective action.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Simons

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_Submitted

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_Julu Scapillo



#### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABATE PUBLIC NUISANCE

DATE: 07/19/2022 CASE #: CE220751

MOULTON TIMOTHY L/TANYA D 1944 E MEADOW 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: 1944 E MEADOW DR TEMPE, AZ 85282

PARCEL: 133-34-086

This office will submit this complaint to the Community Development Abatement Hearing Officer located at the Tempe City Council Chambers 09/06/2022. 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

Uncultivated weeds in gravel landscape, or a lawn higher than 12 inches

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

CC 21-3.b.8

Please remove all grass and/or weeds in the front yard landscape areas.

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 \$911.00. In addition to the actual cost of abatement, an administrative charge of fifteen percent (15%) 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: Barbara Simons Phone Number: 480-350-5460

E-mail: Barbara\_Simons@tempe.gov



July 16, 2022

City of Tempe Attn: Barbara Simons Code Inspector

RE: Clean-Up at 1944 E. Meadow Dr.

Thank you for giving Artistic Land Management, Inc the opportunity to serve your landscaping needs. Below is our price to provide all labor, equipment, landfill fees, and supervision to perform the work listed below at 1944 E. Meadow Dr, Tempe, AZ. Please give us a call for any questions you may have at 480-821-4966.

#### Scope of Work

- Remove grass and weeds from the front and side yards
- PD presence on-site for duration of the visit

Total = \$911.00

Respectfully,

Jose Hernandez



### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE CORRECTION NOTICE

02/02/2022

MOULTON TIMOTHY L/TANYA D 1944 E MEADOW DR TEMPE, AZ 85282

Case #: CE220751

Site Address: 1944 E MEADOW DR, TEMPE, AZ 85282

This is a notice to inform you that this site was inspected on 02/02/2022 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.

Section	Violation	
CC 21-3.b.8	Uncultivated weeds in gravel landscape, or a lawn higher than 12 inches	
PLEASE TAKE	THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIVE ACTION	SITE REINSP ON OR AFTER
CC 21-3.b.8	Please trim the over-height grass and/or weeds in the front yard.	02/21/2022

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

Barbara Simons Code Inspector

Direct: 480-350-5460

Code Compliance: 480-350-4311 Email:Barbara\_Simons@tempe.gov

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 \$82.00 pursuant to City Code Section 21-51, subsection (b). 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.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CODE COMPLIANCE FINAL CORRECTION NOTICE

03/09/2022

MOULTON TIMOTHY L/TANYA D 1944 E MEADOW DR TEMPE, AZ 85282

Case #: CE220751

Site Address: 1944 E MEADOW DR, TEMPE, AZ 85282

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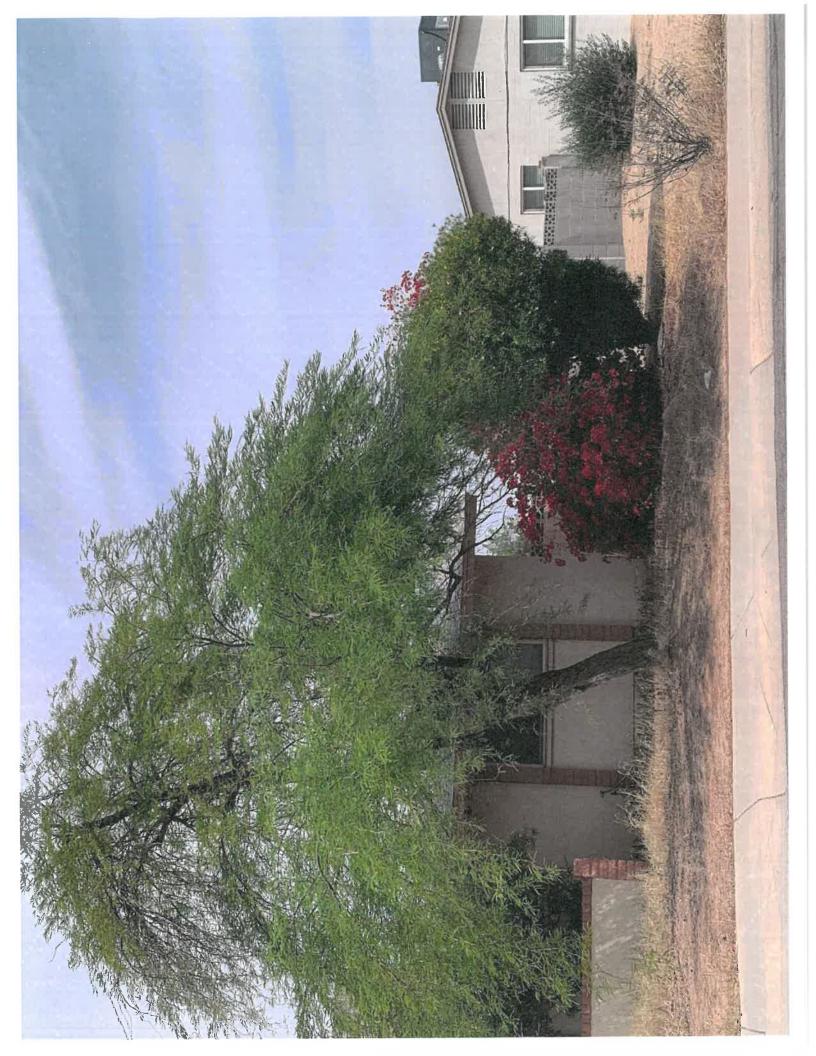
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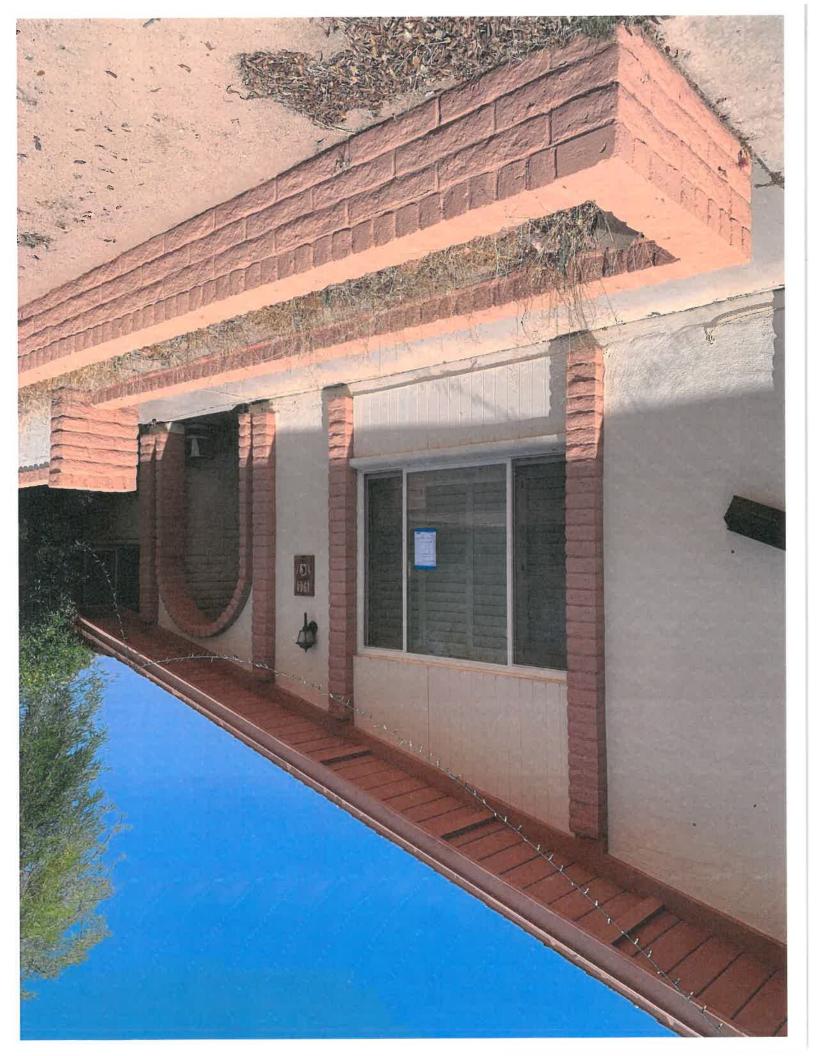
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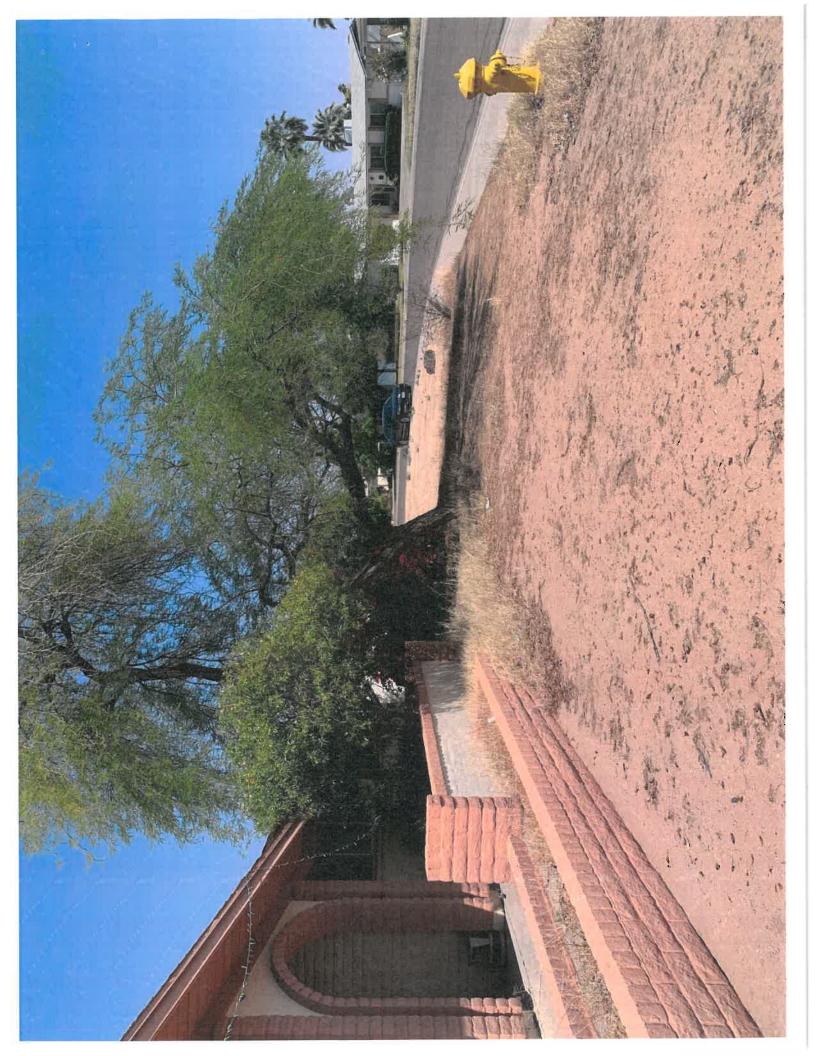
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### Arizona Traffic Ticket and Complaint

City of Tempe Maricopa County, State of Arizona



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