

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Date: April 25, 2018

The Building and Standards Commission (BSC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at City Hall, Boards and Commission Room, Room 1101, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Charles Cloutman, Chair; Vice Chair Jessica Mangrum Commissioners: Michael Overton. Wordy Thompson, Andrea Freiburger, Michael King, Brian Talley, Natalya Sheddan and Pablo Avila. Commissioners Melissa Orren and John Green were absent.

Staff in Attendance:

Melanie Alley, Code Review Analyst/ BSC Coordinator; Angela Means, Interim Assistant Director; Robert Moore, Division Manager (DM); Marcus Elliott, Division Manager; Robert Alvarado, Division Manager; John Christophe, Code Supervisor; Michael Reeves, Code Supervisor; Alicia Tovar, Code Investigator; Marlayna Wright, Code Inspector; Jason Ortiz, Code Inspector; Merlinda Coleman, Program Specialist; and James Candelas, Program Specialist; and Brandon Carr, Assistant City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charles Cloutman called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

General:

- 1. Richard Jung, a prospective buyer for 3101 Govalle Avenue asked that this property be placed on the May agenda as an action item to request forgiveness of penalties.
- 2. John Curry, one of the owners of 1845 Burton Drive aka Lafayette Landing, requested that this property be placed on the May agenda as an action item regarding penalty forgiveness.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. The motion approving the minutes of the March 25, 2018 meeting were approved on Commission Avila's motion, Commissioner Sheddan's second on an 8-0 vote. Commissioners Orren, Green and Talley were absent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

New Case(s):

<u>Case Number</u> <u>Street Address</u> <u>Owner(s)</u> **4. 2018-063927 5605 Manor Road Maurice M. Minette, Jr.**

Commissioner King made a motion to close the public hearing and adopt staff's findings of fact and conclusions of law; and, adopt the recommended order, which was seconded by Commissioner Overton.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Talley, seconded by Commissioner Freiberger, to adopt staff's findings of fact and conclusions of law; and to amend the recommended timeframe from 60 to 90 days, and to add a penalty after 90 days of \$350 per week. The substitute motion carried on an 8-1 vote. Commissioner Thompson voted nay. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

5. 2018-063721 1704 Nelms Blvd., Bldg. 7 and Unit 711 CNC Austin Lights, LP a/k/a Sunrise Bluffs Apartments

Vice Chair Mangrum made a motion to close the public hearing, and adopt Staff's findings of fact and conclusions of law; and adopt the recommended order, which was seconded by Commissioner Talley. The motion carried on a vote of 9-0. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

<u>Case Number</u> <u>Street Address</u> <u>Owner</u>

6. 2018-063710 933 Park Plaza Austin Park Plaza, LLC

Commissioner Talley made a motion to close the public hearing, and adopt Staff's findings of fact and conclusions of law; and, adopt the recommended order, which was seconded by Vice Chair Mangrum. The motion carried unanimously on a 9-0 vote. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

Returning Case(s)

<u>Case Number</u> <u>Street Address</u> <u>Owner</u>

7. 2017-111459 5803 Sweeney Circle, Unit D Community Partnership for the Homeless, Inc.

Vice Chair Mangrum admitted Exhibits 2A-2J. Commissioner Talley made a motion to close public hearing, and to amend the existing order to abate the current penalties and provide an additional 90 days from the date of the hearing, i.e., April 25, 2018 before penalties would begin to accrue. A second was made by Commissioner Frieberger. The motion carried on a vote of 8-0-1. Chair Cloutman recused himself. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

8. 2017-111451 3138 Manor Road Kennan Properties

Commissioner Freiberger made a motion to close the public hearing and amend the existing order by reducing the outstanding fines accrued down to \$5000, seconded by Commissioner Sheddan. No vote was taken and the motion failed.

Commissioner Talley made a substitute motion to relieve all fines per the existing order, seconded by Commissioner Overton. The vote failed on a 3-6 vote. Chair Cloutman and, Commissioners Talley and Overton voted aye. Vice Chair Mangrum and Commissioners Sheddan, Avila, Thompson, King, and Freiberger voted nay. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

A second substitute motion was made by Commissioner Talley to amend the existing order by reducing the fines accrued to \$2500, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The motion carried on an 8-1 vote. Commissioner Avila voted nay. Commissioners Orren and Green were absent.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Update Case(s):

<u>Case Number</u> <u>Street Address</u> <u>Owner</u>

9. 2018-015162 1407 Coleto Street MJC Group LLC

Austin Code Supervisor John Christophe provided an update to the Commission as to the conditions and status of repairs on this property.

10. Election of Officers for the Building and Standards Commission

Elections were held for officers for a one-year term beginning at the first May meeting. Commissioner Avila nominated Chair Cloutman for Chair of the Commission and Vice-Chair Mangrum for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The motion carried on a vote of 9-0

11. Discussion and Planning regarding the Annual Internal Review Report

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- **12.** 3101 Govalle Avenue is to be placed on the May agenda as a returning item at the request of the owner's representative to ask for forgiveness of penalties.
- **13.** 1845 Burton Drive aka Lafayette Landing is to be placed on the May agenda as a returning item at the request of the owner to ask for forgiveness of penalties.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Cloutman adjourned the Commission Meeting at 8:25 p.m. without objection.