
BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2018 8:15 a.m.

BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

Members Present: Mr. David Beard, Chairman
Dr. Wayne Paris
Mr. Delbert Allred
Mr. Anthony McColum
Ms. DeAnn Yeilding
Mr. Wayland Schroeder, Alternate
Ms. Betty Bradley, Alternate

Members Absent: Mr. Lloyd Turner

Staff Present: Mr. Michael Rice, Interim Assistant City Manager
Mr. Clay Door, Interim Code Compliance Manager
Mr. Odis Dolton, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services
Mr. Tim Littlejohn, Chief Building Official
Mr. Chace Craig, Assistant City Attorney
Ms. Kathy Jean Ellis, Code Enforcement
Ms. Stephanie Lindsay, Code Enforcement
Ms. Merle Vandiver, Customer Service Rep II/Building Inspections
Mr. Brandon Barr, Code Enforcement
Mr. Josh Mares, Code Enforcement
Ms. Melissa Farr, Administrative Secretary

Others Present: Councilman Bruce Kreitler

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Beard called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and Ms. Farr recorded the minutes. A quorum of members was present, and the meeting proceeded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting, February 7, 2018, were provided in advance to the members and were approved as presented.

Mr. Allred moved to approve the minutes as presented, there being no deletions, no additions, and no corrections. Mr. McColum seconded the motion. The vote was approved by six (6) with none in opposition. Ms. Bradley abstained from the vote.

AYES: Paris, Allred, Yeilding, McColum, Schroeder, and Beard
NAYS: None

AGENDA ITEMS & PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Case No. 17-014 - 525 Butternut St (AKA 533 Butternut St) (OT ABILENE TIF #1, BLOCK 85, LOT 9 & N1/2 LT 8) Owner(s): Blanca Cortez

Mr. Clay Door presented this case. The staff findings and order are as follows:

Findings: The property is a public nuisance in that it is a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare and repair of the structure would be unreasonable.

Pursuant to Chapter 8; Sec. 8-554 the following conditions exist:

- (1) Inadequate Sanitation (d, e, f & l)
- (2) Structural Hazards (d, g)
- (3) Nuisance, Chapter 19, Sec.15 (b & d)
- (4) Hazardous Electrical Wiring
- (5) Hazardous plumbing
- (7) Faulty weather protection (b, c, d)

Order: The owner is ordered to demolish or appeal the order to district court within 30 days or the City may demolish.

Mr. Beard opened the public hearing.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. McColum made the motion to declare the property a public nuisance in that it is a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare and repair of the structure would be unreasonable. Mr. Allred seconded the motion.

The vote was approved by seven (7) with none in opposition.

AYES: Paris, Allred, Yeilding, McColum, Schroeder, Bradley, and Beard
NAYS: None

Mr. McColum made the motion to order the owner to demolish or appeal the order to district court within 30 days or the City may demolish. Mr. Allred seconded the motion.

The vote was approved by seven (7) with none in opposition.

AYES: Paris, Allred, Yeilding, McColum, Schroeder, Bradley, and Beard
NAYS: None

b. Case No. 10-088 - 1818 Jefferies St. (NORTH PARK ADDN, BLOCK 26,
LOT W100 E578.33 N100 2.3 AC TR) Owner(s): Rosa Sims

Mr. Clay Door presented this case. The staff recommendation is to remove the demotion order for this property.

Mr. Beard opened the public hearing.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Board and Staff discussion included:

- The timeline indicates many extensions have been granted.
- Concern of owner not being in attendance of this meeting to be heard.
- A timeline for completion by owner is necessary.

Mr. Schroeder made the motion to table this item until next month, which would allow time for the homeowner to complete repairs and final inspection to be performed. Mr. McColum seconded the motion.

The vote to table this item until next month's meeting was approved by seven (7) with none in opposition.

AYES: Paris, Allred, Yeilding, McColum, Schroeder, Bradley, and Beard
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Board of Building Standards meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m.

Approved: _____

David D Beard

Chairman

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