

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

CITY OF RICHMOND



The Building and Standards Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met on July 23, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting was held at 600 Morton Street, Richmond Annex Meeting Room.

A-1 Albert Davis called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. A quorum was present and verified by Secretary David Reese, with the following members in attendance:

Commission Members Present:

David Reese
Albert Davis
Elise Kaufman
Bobbie Williams

City Staff Present:

Albert Cantu- Fire Marshal/Building Inspector and City Liaison
Kay Moss-Inspector
Lori Bownds-Building Official
Gary Smith-City Attorney

A-2 Public Comments-

No public comments. Albert Davis read statement on Texas Open Meetings Act and Public comments.

A-3 Minutes for the May 29, 2018 meeting were read and approved. Motion given by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams, motion carried.

A-4 The commission to discuss follow ups for properties found to be in violation.

A 4.1 406 Burnet Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that Ms. Reza has purchased more windows for the house, but no other progress has been made. House needs to be leveled. Albert Cantu stated that although progress is slow, some progress was made. He recommends allowing owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.2 1621 George Avenue Drive-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that he will have an update for the committee at the September 24, 2018 meeting. He will inspect properties in August. Motion made to allow City until September 24, 2018 meeting to inspect properties and report status. Motion by: Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.3 507 Travis Street (Rear)-Dangerous Structure

Represented by Mrs. Lana Douglas. Albert Cantu stated that action is needed. Mrs. Douglas stated that plans she submitted to the City were inadequate. Albert Cantu stated that the house has potential and recommends allowing owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to resent corrected plans to City and report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.4 307 Riveredge Drive-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that he will have an update for the committee at the September 24, 2018 meeting. He will inspect properties in August. Motion made to allow City until September 24, 2018 meeting to inspect properties and report status. Motion by: Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.5 314 Mellon Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert stated there has been no action or contact with the owner. The house has potential and is sound. Albert Cantu requested allowing him until September 24, 2018 meeting to contact the owner. Motion to allow the City until September 24, 2018 to contact the owner. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.6 1104 South Third Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that some progress is being made on repairs to the property but that he has had no contact recently with the owner, Mr. Alvarez. No progress has been made recently. House is safe and secure. Albert Cantu recommended allowing until September 24, 2018 meeting to report further progress. Motion made to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.7 1015 Preston Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that no progress has been made, but a permit has been obtained. Albert recommended allowing until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.8 1612 George Avenue-Dangerous Structure

Represented by Lionel Harrison. Owner brought in plans for remodel of 1616 George. He will now submit them to the City for approval. After approval of plans for 1616 George, owner stated he will submit plans for 1612 George. Albert Cantu recommends allowing owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams

A 4.9 1616 George Avenue-Dangerous Structure

Represented by Lionel Harrison. Owner brought in plans for remodel of 1616 George. He will now submit them to the City for approval. After approval of plans for 1616 George, owner stated he will submit plans for 1612 George. Albert Cantu recommends allowing owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress.

Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams

A 4.10 907 Fields Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that the house has been demolished by Friends of North Richmond, awaiting final cleanup. Motion to allow until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Bobbie Williams, second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 4.11 610 Fields Street-Dangerous Structure

Owner Mr. Washington is present. Owner stated that he has not been able to obtain clear title of the property. Gary Smith stated that the City could provide owner with a copy of the letter showing Mr. Washington's cousins willingness for him to have the property. Gary Smith recommended that Mr. Washington go to Fort Bend County Lawyer Care and request legal assistance to get clear title. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress, clean the yard and board up the house. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 4.12 508 Mabel Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that the 30day Notice letter has been sent to the owner but there has been no response yet. House is on City list to be demolished. No action necessary.

A 4.13 1117 Lydia Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that this house is now on the tax sale list. No action necessary.

A 4.14 1404 Preston Street-Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that the demolition has started and is almost complete. No action necessary.

A-5 The commission review and take-action on the dangerous buildings found to be in violation.

A 5.1 312 Fannin Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that she spoke with the owner. Debris is still on site. No progress is being made to clean up. City permit is still active. No action necessary.

A 5.2 800 Collins Street- Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu stated that he plans to contact the owner to have the mobile home removed from the City. Motion made to allow City until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Bobbie Williams, second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 5.3 707 Center Street- Dangerous Structure

Owner Ms. Hinojosa is present. Owner stated that she plans to demolish the house. She is soliciting quotes to demolish the entire house. Motion to allow Mrs. Hinojosa until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second Bobbie Williams. All approved

A 5.4 506 Mabel Street- Dangerous Structure

Albert Cantu requested that Committee send the 30day Notice letter to repair or remove the structure. Motion made to send 30day Notice letter to owner to repair or remove the structure. Motion by Bobbie Williams, second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 5.5 506 Center St.-Dangerous Structure

Represented by Rafael Herrera. Mr. Herrera stated that he plans to remodel the house and bring up to code. Prior tenant has vacated. Permits have been obtained. Albert Cantu recommends allowing until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. House is boarded and secured. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Bobbie Williams, second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 5.6 508 Center Street- Dangerous Structure

Represented by owner Charles Cone. Mr. Cone stated he will have the house remodeled soon. Albert Cantu stated that Mr. Cone is an experienced builder and recommended allowing him until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A-6 Upcoming addresses for consideration by commission.

A 6.1 1104 Powell Street

Represented by Mr Sherrott. He stated he plans to demolish the house. The house is boarded and secured. Albert Cantu recommends allowing the owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 24, 2018 meeting to report progress. Motion by Elise Kaufman, second by Bobbie Williams.

A 6.2 1110 Rufus Street

Albert Cantu stated ownership status is unknown at this time. City is still working on this.

A 6.3 1106 Rufus Street

Albert Cantu stated that City is working with Friends of North Richmond to get a dumpster delivered.

A 6.4 315 Preston Street

Albert stated that the City has received a letter from the attorney representing this property. Attorney stated that owner wants to demolish house with help from Friends of North Richmond. Owner is awaiting a permit. A dumpster is now on site.

A 6.5 801 Cub Lane

Albert Cantu stated that a demolition permit has been issued and demolition should begin soon.

A-7 Approval of next scheduled meeting

Motion to hold the next scheduled meeting set for September 24, 2018 at 4:30PM.
Motion by Elise Kaufman, Second by Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A-8 Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m. Motion by Albert Davis, Second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

APPROVED:



David Reese

ATTEST



Albert Cantu