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Building and Standards Commission Minutes

City Commission Room | 600 Morton Street, Richmond, Texas 77469

Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

The Building and Standards Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. The session was held at 600 Morton Street, Richmond City Commission Room.

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. A quorum was present, with the following Members in attendance:

Albert Davis – Chair
James Kinsey
Zachary LaRock
Damacio Sanchez

Staff in attendance: Scott Fajkus, Building Official; Brittany Mullings, Public Works Executive Secretary.

Chairman Davis introduced agenda item A2., Recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag. Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag was recited.

Chairman Davis introduced agenda item A3., Public Comments. Hearing no public comments. This agenda item was closed.

Chairman Davis introduced consent agenda item B1., Review and approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. Board Member LaRock made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Board Member Sanchez seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairman Davis introduced consent agenda item B2., Date of next meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. There was no objection.

Chairman Davis introduced regular agenda items C1a-C1c., Review and consider taking action on the following addresses:

C1a. 1205 Preston – Dangerous Structure

A brief overview of the case was provided by Mr. Fajkus. It has been approximately three weeks since Mr. Fajkus spoke with Mr. Parker regarding the dormant status of his property and the urgency to achieve compliance. Furthermore, he discussed with Mr. Parker the

possibility of the Board moving forward with demolition as no contact has been established with the City and no progress has been made. Substandard Orders were issued on this property; however, the orders were issued to James B. Carrington. According to the Fort Bend CAD, Mr. Janus Parker shows 100% ownership. Staff recommended Substandard Orders be issued again but to include Mr. Janus Parker and all interested parties. Board Member LaRock made a motion to reissue the Substandard Orders to include Mr. Janus Parker. The motion was seconded by Board member Kinsey. All were in favor.

C1b. 1501 Maiden – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus stated that since our last meeting, all final inspections have been completed and that the house is currently on the market for sale. Due to its compliance with all applicable codes adopted by the City of Richmond, staff recommended removing this structure from the Dangerous Structure list. Board Member Kinsey moved to approve the removal of this structure from the Dangerous Structure List. Board Member LaRock seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

C1c. 1717 Paloma – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus stated this case was opened in December 2022. Staff inspected the exterior and interior of this building. The interior photos showed that the structure had been damaged by fire. This location does not have power or water. There has been no permit issue or review of construction plans for this structure by the Building Department. All notification letters have been sent. Staff recommended adding this structure to the Dangerous Structure list. Board Member Kinsey made a motion to add this structure to the Dangerous Structure list. Board Member Sanchez seconded the motions. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairman Davis introduced regular agenda items D1., Review and discuss progress on the following addresses:

D1a. 215 Clark – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus provided an overview of the case. There is one more notification letter that needs to be sent to Mr. John Davis. Staff recommended allowing more time for the owner to remove the structure. Board Member LaRock made a motion to allow an additional 60-days for an update. Board Member Kinsey seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Chairman Davis introduced regular agenda item E1., Staff Information Reports.


Mr. Fajkus briefly went over the Pre-Application conferences for proposed businesses inside city limits and within our ETJ. He provided the Board with updates regarding the North Tenth Street Mobility Project and the 405 Richmond Parkway Project. In addition, Mr. Fajkus provided a brief update on some downtown businesses.

Chairman Davis introduced regular agenda item F1., Excuse from attendance at the regular

Building and Standards Commission Meeting. None to excuse.

There being no further business to be brought before the Building and Standards Board,
Chairman Davis adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Approved



Albert Davis, Chairman

Attest



Scott Fajkus, Building Official