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Building and Standards Commission Minutes

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

Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

The Building and Standards Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The session was held at 600 Morton Street, Richmond City Commission Room.

Vice-Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was present, with the following Members in attendance:

Joe Garcia - Vice-Chair James Kinsey Zach LaRock Damacio Sanchez

Staff in attendance: Scott Fajkus, Building Official; Terri Vela, City Manager; Howard Christian, Assistant City Manager; Gary Smith, City Attorney; Aileen Heard, Code Compliance Officer; Mason Garica, Planning Director; and Brittany Mullings, Public Works Executive Secretary.

Vice-Chair Garcia 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.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced agenda item A3., Public Comments. Hearing no public comments. This agenda item was closed.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced consent agenda item B1., Review and approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024. Board Member Kinsey made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Board Member LaRock seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced consent agenda item B2., Date of next meeting will be Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. There was no objection.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced regular agenda item C1., Review and consider taking action on the following address:

C1a. 215 Clark – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus gave an overview of the case, at this time there has been no progress made to the property to get it into compliance and a demolition permit has not been obtained. Staff recommended demolition of the structure or submit a full set of structural plans designed and stamped by a licensed engineer. Board Member Kinsey move forward with demolishing the structure after 60-days with the condition the owner is contacted by the City and given the opportunity to pull permits. Board member Sanchez seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced regular agenda item D1., Review and discuss progress on the follow addresses:

D1a. 1205 Preston – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus went over the letter that was provided to Janus Parker, that gave an outline of what is required to get the structure into compliance. The City has filed a petition for a permanent injunction with the District Court. He indicated he will provide the Board with an update at the next meeting.

D1b. 1717 Paloma – Dangerous Structure

Mr. Fajkus gave a brief overview of the case. On March 1, 2024, an Affidavit of Heirship was filed with Fort Bend County Clerk's Office. Staff restarted the letter process. Staff will provide an update at the next meeting.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced regular agenda item E1., Staff Information Reports. Mr. Fajkus updated the Board on the 10th Street Mobility Project and the project at 405 Richmond Parkway.

Vice-Chair Garcia introduced regular agenda item H1., Excuse from attendance at the regular Building and Standards Commission Meeting. Board Member Kinsey moved to approve Board Member LaRock absence at the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Sanchez. The vote for approval was unanimous.

There being no further business to be brought before the Building and Standards Board, Vice-Chair Garcia adjourned the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

Approved

Albert Davis, Chairman

Attest

Scott Faikus, Building Official