

REGULAR SESSION

APRIL 18, 2011

The Building Standards Commission of the City of Athens, Texas met in Regular Session on **Monday, April 18, 2011 at 5:30** p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Athens City Hall Annex with the following members present to-wit:

Bruce Hinds, Chairman
Monte Montgomery, Vice-Chairman
Dr. Steven Helf
Geneva Jaffa
Tere Lawyer
Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Officer
Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning and Development

others present: David Graem, Vance Fincher, John and Felicia Cain

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hinds:

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2011
REGULAR SESSION.**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Montgomery, seconded by Member Helf, to accept the minutes of the March 21, 2011 Regular Session as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE
LOCATED AT 312 COLORADO, LOTS 4 & 5, BLOCK 3 - COLLEGE VIEW
SUBDIVISION OWNER TRINITY VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Sheila Garrett, Code Enforcement Officer, informed the Commission the structure has been vacated several years, the lot is overgrown and house is open to the public. She has received a complaint regarding the condition of the structure.

David Graem, Assistant VP of Facilities Management, and Vance Fincher, Plant Operations Manager with Trinity Valley Community College were present and stated to the Commission the intentions of the College is to have the structure torn down. They are currently waiting on bids from three contractors, and expect the demolition to occur within the next forty-five (45) days.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT
312 COLORADO, LOTS 4 & 5, BLOCK 3 - COLLEGE VIEW SUBDIVISION.
OWNER TRINITY VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Montgomery, seconded by Member Helf to get an up-date in sixty (60) days. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE
LOCATED AT 904 EAST TYLER, (GARAGE), LOT 1A, BLOCK 120 -
ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION. OWNER JOHN CAIN**

Ms. Garrett reported she has received a complaint regarding the current condition of the garage. The roof is deteriorated and there is open access to the public.

John and Felicia Cain, property owners were present. Mr. Cain stated he is in the process of getting bids for demolition of the structure. The garage door is welded open and cannot not be closed. He will have the structure demolished within the next sixty (60) days. Mr. Cain was advised of the demolition permit that is required.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED
904 EAST TYLER, (GARAGE), LOT 1A, BLOCK 120 - ORIGINAL TOWN
SUBDIVISION. OWNER JOHN CAIN**

A motion was made by Member Jaffa, seconded by Vice-Chairman Montgomery to get an update in sixty (60) days. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE
LOCATED AT 1005 SOUTH PALESTINE, LOT 1, BLOCK 1 - GINSBERG
SUBDIVISION. OWNER D FAULK LTD**

Ms. Garrett reported she has received a complaint regarding the condition of the structure. It has been vacant for many years, and is overgrown with shrubs, and open access to the public. Staff recommends the structure be condemned.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED
1005 SOUTH PALESTINE, LOT 1, BLOCK 1 - GINSBERG SUBDIVISION
OWNER D FAULK LTD**

A motion was made by Member Helf, seconded by Vice-Chairman Montgomery to condemn the structure. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE
LOCATED AT 907 HAMLETT STREET, LOT 7, BLOCK 4 - F.M. COKER ADDITION.
OWNER PRINCE FITE C/O CATHERINE FITE**

Ms. Garrett informed the Commission notification of meeting notice will have to be posted on structure for next's months meeting and no action could be taken today.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 907
HAMLETT STREET, LOT 7, BLOCK 4 - F.M. COKER ADDITION
OWNER PRINCE FITE C/O CATHERINE FITE**

No action

**REPORT ON POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 110 LAIRD
LANE, LOT 9, BLOCK 65C, ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION
OWNER D.E. GREENSLADE C/O MIKE STOVER**

Ms. Garrett reported there are no changes to property as of this date and that Mr. Stover's building permit expires June 21, 2011.

**REPORT ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 426 ½ WEST LARKIN,
LOT 10B, BLOCK 41 - ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION
OWNER JUAN IBARRA RIVER**

Ms. Garrett reported property was condemn at last months meeting, and has gone through title search, Oncor has disconnected the electric, waiting on Atmos to kill out meter at the street, currently being published in paper regarding demo and a notice has been posted on structure. The city will demolish structure.

**REPORT ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 810 CHARLIE,
LOT 11, F.M. COKER TRACT - B.C. WALTERS SURVEY
OWNER MARY JANE BAXTER**

Ms. Garrett reported property was condemn at last months meeting, and has gone through title search, Oncor has disconnected the electric, waiting on Atmos to kill out meter at the street, currently being published in paper regarding demo and a notice has been posted on structure. The city will demolish structure.

**REPORT ON POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 516 WEST
LARKIN, LOT 5A, BLOCK 78 - ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION
OWNER JOSE JUAN & EUSTOLIA GUILLEN**

Ms Garrett reported the owner originally stated he would move structure out of town, and requested until the end of April to move structure. Mr. Guillen's daughter called and stated he now wants to renovate the structure. Jeff Phillips, building inspector, inspected house and made a list of everything that would have to be done to bring structure up to code. It was mailed to Mr. Guillen last week. This item will be on next months agenda.

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**REPORT ON POSSIBLE SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 404 BASHER,
LOT 35, J.W. COKER TRACT - B.C. WALTERS SURVEY
OWNER JACQUELINE WILLIAMS**

Ms Garrett reported that Ms Williams has acquire a building permit, property has been mowed, and Ms. Williams has started painting the house. The building permit is good until June 2011.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

None and the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY 2011.

Bruce Hinds, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sheila Garrett