

REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 16, 2010

The Substandard Building Commission of the City of Athens, Texas met in Regular Session on **Monday, August 16, 2010** at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Athens City Hall Annex with the following members present to-wit:

Bruce Hinds
Monte Montgomery
Dr. Steven Helf

Sheila Garrett, Public Health and Safety Coordinator

with the following member absent: Tere Lawyer

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 JULY 19, 2010 REGULAR SESSION.

A motion was made by Member Helf, seconded by Member Montgomery, to accept the minutes of the July 19, 2010 Regular Session as written. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 818 MAPLE STREET, LOT 4B, BLOCK 11 - WEST HEIGHTS #1 SUBDIVISION OWNER ALEJANDRO & ROSAURA MONTES

Alejandro Montes was present, along with Miguel Rodriguez who is buying property on owner financed contract from Mr. Montes. Mr. Rodriguez plans to tear the house down and rebuild, Mr. Montes doesn't want house torn down until the contract is paid in full. After a discussion between Commission members and property owners regarding condition of the house, plans for the property and a time frame for bringing property into compliance, a motion was made by Chairman Hinds, seconded by Member Montgomery that the property is to be boarded and secured from public access and for a thirty (30) day update at the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 321 DEAN STREET, LOT 15A, BLOCK 4 - COLLEGE VIEW SUBDIVISION OWNERS MARIA & OSVALDO LEON GARCIA

Property owners were present and explained to the Commission they had bought the burnt structure to renovate. They are trying to save enough money to repair roof that was damaged by fire and requested a six month extension. After a discussion regarding the condition of structure, a time frame for renovations, keeping structure secured from public access and lot clear of debris and weeds, a motion was made by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Helf to table action for three months to allow time for property owners to begin work. At this time, the property will be readdressed for an update on progress. If sufficient work is not completed, the structure will be considered for condemnation and demolish by the City. Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT
403 GAUNTT STREET, LOT 1B, BLOCK 1 - WEST HEIGHTS#1 SUBDIVISION
OWNER KEEVIN MOORE**

Property owner was present and explained to the Commission that he plans to renovate structure but is not financially able at this time. He has mowed lot and will board windows and doors to secure from public access. Motion was made by Chairman Hinds, seconded by Member Helf property that property is to be secured from public access and to get an update in thirty (30) days. Motion carried unanimously.

**REPORT ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 422 WEST SCOTT,
LOT C3, BLOCK 24, BISHOP HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION
OWNER BESSIE BUCKLEY**

Sheila Garrett, Public Health and Safety Coordinator reported that the demolition of this structure is temporally on hold.

**REPORT ON SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 617 UNDERWOOD,
LOT 13, BLOCK 46 - ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION
OWNER PINKIE SANDERS**

Ms. Garrett reported that this structure has been torn down by the City.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

None and the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2010.

Bruce Hinds, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sheila Garrett