

**MINUTES
BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 15, 2012**

Members Present: John McNatt, Robert Reeves, J.T. Edwards, John Graham

Members Absent: Ex-officio – Linda Colbert, Doug McLean, Diana Bertini,
Ms. Banks Resigned due to running for Council Seat

Staff Present: Donna Fairweather, Assistant City Attorney, Debbie Stark, David Ewald, Ron Penn

Also Present: Gregory Cliff, Alex Larios, Jerome Karam, Gregg Chipp, Marlene Larios

Declaration of Conflict: None

Minutes from January 18, 2012 were approved, motion made by Mr. Reeves, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote passed unanimously.

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E. Buena Vista Staff explained that this was the first time before the Commission. Staff report was read and pictures were shown with the Building Official outlining the code violations. Staff explained that the property was in bankruptcy, but the bank has not taken the property yet. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Reeves that the building is a dangerous building as outlined in Exhibit A of the staff report, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote passed unanimously. Motion was made by Mr. Edwards to accept staff's recommendation which is for the city to initiate demolition proceedings, seconded by Mr. Reeves and the vote passed unanimously.

In Favor: Reeves, McNatt, Graham, Edwards

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McLean, Bertini

2523 Avenue P1/2 Staff explained that this was the first time before the Commission. Staff report was read and pictures were shown with the Building Official outlining the code violations. Owner was present, but her son Alex Larios spoke on behalf of his mother. He explained that money is tight and that they had done some work, but after the storm hit they have not been able to do much to the property. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Reeves declaring the structure a dangerous building as outlined in Exhibit "A" of staff report, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote passed unanimously.

In Favor: Reeves, McNatt, Graham, Edwards
Against: None
Abstain: None
Absent: McLean, Bertini

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Staff explained that this was the first time before the Commission. Staff report was read and pictures were shown with the Building Official outlining the code violations. Staff explained that there has been no communication with the owner. One of the commission members said that he knew the owner and they moved to San Antonio after the storm. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Reeves deeming the structure dangerous as outlined in Exhibit "A" of the staff report, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote failed. A motion was made by Mr. Graham to defer this case for thirty (30) days to try and contact owner, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote passed unanimously.

In Favor: Reeves, Edwards, Graham
Against: McNatt
Abstain: None
Absent: McLean, Bertini

Review of structures previously addressed by the Commission. 302 21st Street was reviewed and staff explained the previous order and explained that there is one window on 21st Street side where glass sash is loose. The owner, Jerome Karam said he thought that all the areas had been taken care of and that he would get it taken care of. A motion was made by Mr. Reeves outlining that the owner met the previous order of November 16, 2011, seconded by Mr. Edwards and the vote passed unanimously.

In Favor: Reeves, Edwards, Graham, McNatt
Against: None
Abstain: None
Absent: McLean, Bertini

Update of structures previously addressed by the Commission: 3302 Church, Ms. Fairweather explained that the folder has been in review by her office for some time, but that a notice will need to also be sent to the trustee and structure should come back before Commission. Review of 514 21st Street, staff explained that an engineer's report satisfied the order, but that the owner was notified to remove the fencing.

Public Comment: there was none.

Motion was made at 5:31 p.m. by Mr. Edwards to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Graham and the vote passed unanimously.

