

STATE OF TEXAS



COUNTY OF FORT BEND

CITY OF RICHMOND

The Building and Standards Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met on July 29, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting was held at 600 Morton Street, Richmond Annex Conference Room.

A-1 Albert Davis called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. A quorum was present and verified by Secretary David Reese, with the following members in attendance:

Commission Members Present:

David Reese
Albert Davis
Elise Kaufman
Bobbie Williams
Alice Bijarro
Robert Hodge
Joe Garcia

City Staff Present:

Kay Moss
Albert Cantu
Mike Youngblood
Gary Smith-Attorney

A-2 Public Comments-

No public comments. Albert Davis read statement on Texas Open Meetings Act and Public comments.

A-3 Due to incorrect posting in agenda, minutes for July 29, 2019 meeting and the previous meeting will be approved at September meeting.

A-4 The commission to discuss follow ups for properties found to be in violation.

A 4.1 406 Burnet Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that she spoke with the owner. Owner plans to continue leveling the house and continue with the remodel. Katy will report progress at September 23, 2019 meeting. No action necessary.

A 4.2 1621 George Avenue Drive-Dangerous Structure

Owner Laurel Wendt is present. She stated that house structure has been repaired but the interior has been gutted. Albert Cantu stated that the house no longer violates City Ordinance. Exterior is sound and secure. This address can now be removed from the Committee's list.

A 4.3 507 Travis Street (Rear)-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated she has had no recent contact with the owner. She needs more time to contact with owner. Kay Moss will report status at September 23, 2019 meeting.

A 4.4 307 Riveredge Drive-Dangerous Structure

Owner Laurel Wendt was present. She stated that the lot has been cleaned up. Mike Youngblood stated that he had looked at the house and the interior structure is sound but that exterior needs repair. Mrs. Wendt stated she plans to raise and level the house next. City recommends allowing until September 23, 2019 meeting to report progress and plans to proceed with leveling and remodeling. Motion to allow owner until September 23, 2019 meeting to report progress and plans for proceeding with leveling and remodeling. Motion by: Robert Hodge, second by: Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 4.5 1104 South Third Street-Dangerous Structure

Owner Mrs. Alvarez is present. Albert Cantu stated that remodel has started and had stopped and communication with City had stopped also. City recommends that owner finishes the roof in the next 30 days and also clean up the yard. Motion to allow until September 23, 2019 meeting to finish the roof, clean u debris and secure the house and report back status at September 23, 2019 meeting. Motion by: Robert Hodge, second by: Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 4.6 1015 Preston Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that she has started the process to obtain a administrative search warrant in order to inspect the interior of the house. There has been no contact with the owner. Kay will report progress at September 23, 2019 meeting.

A 4.7 506 Mabel Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the house is being demolished by the City. Property can be removed from Committee's list.

A 4.8 506 Center St.-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that there has been no contact with owner recently. The owner last said he plans to work on the house by has been in New York. House is structurally sound. City has not sent owner 30 day notice letter. City recommends waiting until September 23, 2019 meeting to allow more time to contact owner.

A 4.9 508 Center Street- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the owner is selling the property and that the new buyer will clean it up. City recommends waiting until September 23, 2019 meeting to find out about new owner.

A 4.10 1104 Powell Street-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that demolition has been completed by Friends of North Richmond and can be removed from the list.

A 4.11 1110 Rufus Street- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the City could not find the owner. Attorney Gary Smith stated we need City approval to have a title search done. Kay Moss will report status on September 23, 2019 meeting.

A 4.12 1106 Rufus St.-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that demolition is in progress by Friends of North Richmond/Attack Poverty but still needs cleaning up and that the owner needs to pay for one more dumpster. Attorney Gary Smith stated that since there is no longer a standing structure the City could handle this with the Code Enforcement dept. (Not the commission)

A 4.13 315 Preston Street- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated the house has been demolished by Friends of North Richmond. E. Kaufman confirmed that Friends of North Richmond will complete the clean up.

A-5 The commission review and take-action on the dangerous buildings found to be in violation.

A 5.1 1616 George Ave.- Dangerous Structure

Represented by owner daughter. She stated that ownership is now in the son's name. They are still trying to get a permit to remodel. City recommends allowing owner until September 23, 2019 meeting to report progress. Motion to allow owner until September 23, 2019 meeting to obtain permit and report progress on repairs. Motion by: Robert Hodge, second by: Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 5.2 207 Clark St.- Dangerous Structure

Friends of owner are present. Friend stated that the owner has passed away and the children want to give him the house, but he has not yet obtained the deed. Motion to allow the friend until September 23, 2019 meeting to report status on obtaining deed to the property so he can remodel. Motion by: Elise Kaufman, second by: Robert Hodge. All approved.

A 5.3 712 Lettie Street- Dangerous Structure

Owner Mr. Miranda is present. He stated he has a sale pending on the house. Motion to allow until September 23, 2019 meeting to report progress to sale. Motion by: Robert Hodge, second by: Bobbie Williams. All approved.

A 5.4 603 Lettie St.-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the property has been demolished by owner. However, there is still some remaining debris to remove.

A 5.5 1105 Alamo St.-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that there is new owners and there is current permits and remodel has started. Can be removed from the Commission's list.

A 5.6 1101, 1103, 1105 Jerry St.- Dangerous Structure

Represented by owner. Stated that house at 1103 Jerry is being remodeled. 1105 Jerry will wither be remodeled or demolished if condition is too bad. He will report progress at September 23, 2019 meeting.

A 5.7 703 Newton Dr.- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that there has been no contact with the owner. City needs more time to contact them and will report status at September 23, 2019 meeting. This is the same owner at 506 Center St. Motion to allow City until September 23, 2019 meeting to try to contact the owner. Motion by: Robert Hodge, second by: Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A 5.8 201 ½ Riveredge Dr.- Dangerous Structure

Owner Mr. Zamora is present. He states that he plans to demolish the trailer and needs 1/1 ½ month time to do so. City recommends giving him until September 23, 2019 meeting to do so and report status. No motion.

A 5.9 2015 George Street- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the trailer has been demolished by the owner. Complete and can be removed from the list.

A 5.10 1504 Maiden Ln.- Dangerous Structure

Owners representative is present and states that they plan to remodel the house. City recommends that they make the house secure right away and report status at September 23, 2019 meeting. No motion.

A-6 Upcoming addresses for consideration by commission.

A 6.1 509 Burnet St.-Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that th house was abandoned. The letter process has been started. The owner did contact me and will start the clean up process.

A 6.2 219 Clark St.- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the letter process has been started. The owner has begun to remodel and has permits. Property can be removed from the list.

A 6.3 1315 Newlin Dr.- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the trailer house is abandoned. The letter process has been started. No contact from the owner. City will tow away two (2) vehicles from the property. Will report status at September 23, 2019 meeting.

A 6.4 1504602 Mabel St.- Dangerous Structure

Kay Moss stated that the letter process has started. The house is abandoned. Will report status at next meeting.

A-7 Approval of next scheduled meeting

Motion to hold the next scheduled meeting set for September 23, 2019 at 4:30PM.
Motion by Robert Hodge, Second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

A-8 Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Motion by Robert Hodge, Second by Elise Kaufman. All approved.

APPROVED:

David Reese

ATTEST

Kay Moss