STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

#### **MINUTES**

On January 18, 2018, the Condemnation Appeals Commission met at 4:00 p.m. for a Regular meeting at City Hall, 509 E 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, in City Council Chambers.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Jeff Bryant	Yes	6	5
Richard Constancio	Yes	6	6
Tom Roller	Yes	6	6
Joel Favela	Yes	6	5
Frank Willburn	Yes	2	1
Alternate Members			
George Cumming	No	6	5

## Also in attendance were:

Randy Schuster Gwen Gonzales Bryan McWilliams Shayla Junell BUILDING OFFICAL, CITY OF AMARILLO
BUILDING SAFETY MANAGER, CITY OF AMARILLO
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF AMARILLO
ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN, CITY OF AMARILLO

This meeting of the Condemnation Appeals Commission was called to order by Mr. Jeff Bryant, established a quorum at 4:00 p.m.

<u>ITEM 1:</u> <u>Introduction</u>. Mr. Jeff Bryant introduced and welcomed the newest member of the Condemnation Appeals Commission, Frank Willburn, of Frank's Plumbing.

<u>ITEM 2:</u> <u>Minutes.</u> Mr. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Richard Constancio, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

# ITEM 3: Resolution-Calling a Public Hearing to determine whether a certain conditions described herein constitute a Public Nuisance at the locations stated:

This resolution sets the date and time for a public hearing on February 15, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. to determine if the properties at 1706 Hazell Avenue, 2118 Pioneer Lane, and 309 N Virginia Street constitute public nuisances and thereby declare as dangerous structures and order the removal of such. A copy of this resolution will be mailed to all interested parties providing ten (10) days notice of public hearing. Mr. Richard Constancio made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Joel Favela, the motion passed with a 5:0 vote.

## **ITEM 4: Resolution-Public Hearing:**

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1219 N Grand Street.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. Mr. Schuster stated the structure has had three fires. The structure is partially boarded up, missing siding and the roof covering is in bad shape. The electrical and mechanical systems are inoperable. There is drywall missing in some areas due to roof leaks and extensive fire damage. The property has been without water service for 10 years. There has been minimal attempt by the owner to repair, abate or remove the structure. The property is a nuisance and represents a hazard to the area. Mr. Schuster's recommendation was to demolish the property. Mr. Schuster stated the property was delinquent in taxes and there was money owed to the City for graffiti removal and mowing. The Commissioners then had the opportunity to ask Mr. Schuster any questions. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone present with a legal interest in the property. No one was present. The Chairman then asked if

there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. No one was present. Mr. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Joel Favela, the motion passed with a 5:0 vote.

## ITEM 5: Resolution-Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1108 N Washington Street.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. Mr. Schuster stated the property has two residential structures, A and B. Structure A is mostly boarded up. The wood decking on the roof structure is exposed. The property's exterior siding is cracked, many of the windows are broken or missing, and the foundation is collapsing or compromised. Most of the interior sheetrock has been vandalized or removed. Structure B suffered a fire on March 1, 2013. The structure is not secure and full of junk and debris. The roof is severely deteriorated. The electrical, mechanical and plumbing systems are nonfunctioning. There has not been any water service for the property since October 06, 2010. There has been minimal attempt by the owner to repair, abate or remove the structure. The property is a nuisance and represents a hazard to the area. Mr. Schuster's recommendation was to demolish the property. Mr. Schuster stated the property was delinquent in taxes and there was money owed to the City for mowing and cleanup. The Commissioners then had the opportunity to ask Mr. Schuster any questions. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone present with a legal interest in the property. No one was present. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. No one was present. Mr. Joel Favela made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Frank Willburn, the motion passed with a 5:0 vote.

### ITEM 6: Resolution-Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1112 N Washington Street.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. Mr. Schuster stated the property has two residential structures, A and B. Structure A is not secured and the roof is in bad shape. The structure has an open door and there has been vagrant activity. The structure has broken windows, openings in the foundation, and full of junk and debris. The electrical, plumbing and mechanical systems are non-functioning. Structure B suffered a fire on April 9, 2013. The property has not had water service in several years. It is a nuisance and represents a hazard to the area. There has been minimal attempt by the owner to repair, abate or remove the structure. Mr. Schuster's recommendation was to demolish the property. Mr. Schuster stated the property was delinquent in taxes and money was owed to the City for mowing and cleanup. The Commissioners then had the opportunity to ask Mr. Schuster any questions. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone present with a legal interest in the property. No one was present. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. Mr. Joel Favela made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Tom Roller, the motion passed with a 5:0 vote.

#### ITEM 7: Adjournment:

The Chairman, Mr. Jeff Bryan concluded the meeting. He opened the floor for any public comments. There being no public comment or further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the Department of Building Safety.

ATTEST:

Gwen Gonzales, Building Safety Manager