

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

MINUTES

On February 1, 2018, the Condemnation Appeals Commission met at 4:00 p.m. for a Regular meeting at City Hall, 509 E 7th Ave, in City Council Chambers.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Jeff Bryant	Yes	7	6
Richard Constancio	Yes	7	7
Tom Roller	Yes	7	7
Joel Favela	No	7	5
Frank Willburn	Yes	3	2
Alternate Members			
George Cumming	No	7	5

Also in attendance were:

Randy Schuster
Gwen Gonzales
Bryan McWilliams

BUILDING OFFICAL, CITY OF AMARILLO
BUILDING SAFETY MANAGER, CITY OF AMARILLO
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF AMARILLO

This meeting of the Condemnation Appeals Commission was called to order by Mr. Jeff Bryant, established a quorum at 4:05 p.m.

ITEM 1: Minutes. Mr. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Frank Willburn, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

ITEM 2: Resolution-Calling a Public Hearing to determine whether certain conditions described herein constitute a Public Nuisance at the locations stated:

This resolution sets the date and time for a public hearing on March 1, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. to determine if the properties at 4120 S Ong Street, 4600 Pioneer Lane, and 623 S Vernon 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. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Richard Constancio, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

ITEM 3: Resolution-Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1634 NW 14th Avenue.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. The property has been without water service for over 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 that there was money owed to the City for mowing and junk and debris removal. 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. Charles Granville, owner of 1644 NW 14th Avenue, stated he has witnessed vagrant activity at the property. He also stated he was in agreement with the resolution to demolish the property. Mr. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Frank Willburn, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

ITEM 4: Resolution-Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1635 NW 15th Avenue.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. The property has been without water service for over 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 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. Timothy Gassoway, 1604 NW 20th Avenue, and the owner of several properties adjacent to 1635 NW 15th Avenue, stated he was in full support of the resolution to demolish the property. Mr. Tom Roller made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Richard Constancio, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

ITEM 5: Resolution-Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 3404 N Bolton Street.

Mr. Randy Schuster, Building Official, presented the case. The property has not had water service since April 2, 2014. 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. 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. Ms. Marion Peralez, owner, 1506 S Madison Street #11, stated that she and her husband started buying the property in 1986. She also stated the structure started deteriorating in 1998. Ms. Peralez stated that she has been several different places seeking help. She also stated that she would like to live on the property, but the structure is not repairable at this point. The Chairman then asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. Mr. James Bartlett, representing Paradise Hills, 3401 N Vernon Street, stated that they own several properties in the area. He also stated that they are in support of the demolition because of the hazard it presents. Mr. Frank Willburn made a motion to approve the resolution: option II, seconded by Mr. Richard Constancio, the motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

ITEM 6: Adjournment:

The Chairman, Mr. Jeff Bryant concluded the meeting. He opened the floor for any public comments. There being no public comment or further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the Department of Building Safety.



Jeff Bryant, Chairman

ATTEST:



Gwen Gonzales, Building Safety Manager