

## DRAFT MINUTES HEARING OFFICER JANUARY 4, 2022

Minutes of the regular public hearing of the Hearing Officer, of the City of Tempe, which was held at the Council Chambers, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona and broadcasted live on Tempe 11.

### REGULAR SESSION 5:00 PM

**Present:**

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer  
Drew Yocom, Community Development Planning and Research Analyst  
Jeff Tamulevich, Code Compliance Administrator

There were zero (0) interested citizens present.

Meeting convened at 5:00 PM and was called to order by Vanessa MacDonald. Hearing Officer MacDonald stated anyone wishing to appeal a decision will need to file a written appeal within fourteen (14) calendar days, by January 18, 2022 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

#### 1. Agenda Item No. 1

**November 16, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes**

**Vanessa MacDonald**, Hearing Officer, stated that the November 16, 2021 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved.

#### 2. Agenda Item No. 2

Request abatement of public nuisance items at the **GONZALEZ PROPERTY** located at 1242 W. 9th Street. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE213985).

- Julie Scofield, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Scofield requested a 180-day open abatement for 1242 W. 9th Street.
  - The case was initiated on June 28, 2021 for front yard landscaping issues, mainly grass/weeds growing through the gravel landscape areas.
  - No contact has been made with the property owner, but some communication has taken place with the tenants.
  - Two (2) complaints have been submitted to the Code Compliance Division.
  - A citation was also issued. The property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
  - Inspector Scofield then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE213985.

### **3. Agenda Item No. 3**

Request abatement of public nuisance items at the ADAMS PROPERTY located at 5934 S. Juniper Street. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE214946).

- Julie Scofield, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Four (4) complaints have been submitted to the Code Compliance Division.
  - The case was initiated on August 13, 2021.
  - Several attempts were made to contact the property owner, but no communication has taken place.
  - A citation was issued in September. The property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
  - Inspector Scofield requested a 180-day open abatement.
  - Photos taken earlier in the day showcasing violations for grass/weeds in the gravel were presented.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE214946.

### **4. Agenda Item No. 4**

Request abatement of public nuisance items at the CATE PROPERTY located at 2005 E. Howe Avenue. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE213021).

- Andres Lara-Reyes, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Lara-Reyes requested a 180-day open abatement.
  - This case was initiated on May 14, 2021 for a dead tree in the front yard.
  - Several complaints have been submitted to the Code Compliance Division for the dead tree.
  - Two notices were sent to the owners along with CARE 7 and other Assistance programs information.
  - A citation was issued, and the property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
  - Photos taken earlier in the day showcasing violations for a dead tree in the front yard were presented.
- Drew Yocom stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE213021.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Drew Yocom announced the next Hearing Officer meeting is scheduled to take place on January 18, 2021 in the Tempe City Council Chambers and broadcast live through Tempe 11.

With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Prepared by: Drew Yocom  
Reviewed by: Jeff Tamulevich

Drew Yocom, Community Development Planning and Research Analyst  
For Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer

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