

MINUTES

On May 4, 2023, the Condemnation Appeals Commission met at 4:00 p.m. for a Regular meeting at City Hall, 601 S Buchanan St., in the City Council Chambers.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Tom Roller, Chair	Yes	72	65
Frank Willburn, Vice Chair	Yes	72	44
George Cumming	Yes	72	43
Richard Constancio Jr.	No	72	46
Jim Banes	No	72	36
ALTERNATE MEMBER			
Ryan Huseman	No	20	6

Also in attendance were:

Johnny Scholl
Courtney White
Gwen Gonzales

BUILDING OFFICIAL, CITY OF AMARILLO
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY II, CITY OF AMARILLO
BUILDING SAFETY MANAGER, CITY OF AMARILLO

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

ITEM 1: Public Comments:

The Chairman, Commissioner Roller opened the floor for any public comments to speak to any item on the agenda that does not have a public hearing.

ITEM 2: Minutes:

Commissioner Cumming made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2023, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Wilburn, the motion passed with a 3:0 vote.

ITEM 3A: 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 July 6, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. to determine whether certain conditions of the properties located at 2104 Pheasant Lane, and 1231 Sycamore Street constitute dangerous structures and/or a public nuisance, and whether to order the removal of such. A copy of this resolution will be mailed to all interested parties providing ten (10) days' notice of the public hearing. Commissioner Wilburn, made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Cumming, the motion passed with a 3:0 vote.

ITEM 3B: Resolution - Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of substandard structure and an accumulation of solid waste located at 303 SW 45th Avenue.

Mr. Scholl, Building Official, presented the case with a PowerPoint presentation describing the conditions of the property. This property consists of a residential structure, accessory structure, and an accumulation of solid waste. This structure has been without water service since January 21, 2020. The Amarillo Police Department has been called out to this location 1 time since the property became vacant. Building Safety has worked 8 cases since this property became vacant: weeds-junk & debris, zoning violations, and this dangerous structure case. This property is located 1 1/2 blocks from a railroad, 9 blocks from an elementary school, 13 blocks from a middle school, and 6 blocks from a park. The structures remain unsecured, have vagrant activity, and harborage of stray animals and vermin. Building Safety has had no recent permit activity. This property is an attractive nuisance, represents a hazard to the neighborhood, blight on the area and an unsafe environment. The Building Official's recommendation is demolition; Item II & V. Mr. Scholl listed the notification information. There are taxes due and there is money owed to the City for mowing and cleanup jobs. The Commissioners then had the opportunity to ask Mr. Scholl any questions. The Chairman asked if there was anyone present with a legal interest in the property. There was no one. The chairman asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. There was no one. The

Chairman closed the hearing. The Commissioners deliberated. Commissioner Wilburn made a motion to approve the resolution for Option II & V, seconded by Commissioner Cumming, the motion passed with a 3:0 vote.

ITEM 3C: Resolution - Public Hearing:

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of substandard structures located at 3228 N Vernon St.

Mr. Scholl, Building Official, presented the case with a PowerPoint presentation describing the conditions of the property. This property consists of a manufactured home, and an accessory structure. This structure has been without water service since July 28, 2020. The Amarillo Police Department has been called out to this location 6 times since the structure became vacant. Building Safety has worked 8 cases since this property has been without water service: weeds-junk & debris, zoning violations, open structure, and this dangerous structure case. This property is located 2 1/2 blocks from an elementary school and park. The structures remain unsecure, there is evidence of vagrant activity and harborage of stray animals and vermin. Building Safety has had no recent permit activity. This property is an attractive nuisance, it represents a hazard to the neighborhood, blight on the area and an unsafe environment therefore demolition is recommended. The Building Official's recommendation is Item II & V. Mr. Scholl listed the notification information. There are taxes due and there is money owed to the City for mowing and cleanup jobs. The Commissioners then had the opportunity to ask Mr. Scholl any questions. The Chairman asked if there was anyone present with a legal interest in the property. There was no one. The Chairman asked if there was anyone else who wished to speak concerning the property. There was no one. The Chairman closed the hearing. Commissioner Cumming made a motion to approve the resolution for Option II & V, seconded by Commissioner Wilburn, the motion passed with a 3:0 vote.

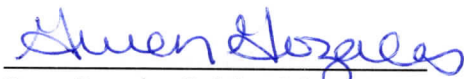
Adjournment:

Chairman Roller asked if there was any further business. There was none. Chairman Roller concluded the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m. This meeting was recorded, and all comments are on file with the Department of Building Safety.



Tom Roller, Chairman

ATTEST:



Gwen Gonzales, Building Safety Manager