

MINUTES

On July 6, 2023, the Condemnation Appeals Commission met at 4:01 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	No	75	67
Frank Willburn, Vice Chair	No	75	46
George Cumming	No	75	45
Richard Constancio Jr.	Yes	75	49
Jim Banes	Yes	75	38
ALTERNATE MEMBER			
Ryan Huseman	Yes	23	7

Also, in attendance were:

Johnny Scholl
Courtney White
Gwen Gonzales
Sarah Ramon

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

This meeting of the Condemnation Appeals Commission was called to order by Commissioner Constancio, established a quorum at 4:01 p.m.

ITEM 1: Public Comments:

Commissioner Constancio 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 Banes made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2023, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Huseman, 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 September 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. to determine whether certain conditions of the properties located at 414 S Fannin Street, 401 S Rusk Street, and 1531 S Virginia 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 Banes, made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Huseman, 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 a substandard structure located at 2104 Pheasant Lane.

Mr. Scholl, Building Official, presented the case with a PowerPoint presentation describing the conditions of the property. This property consists of a manufactured home. This structure has been without water service since October 12, 2011. The Amarillo Police Department has not been called out to this location since the property has been vacant. Building Safety has worked 24 cases since this property became vacant: weeds-junk & debris, open structure, and this dangerous structure case. This property is located 3 quarters of a mile from an elementary school, ½ mile from a public park. 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. Mr. Scholl listed the notification information. There are no 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 Banes made a motion to approve the resolution for Option II, seconded by Commissioner Huesman, 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 a substandard structure located at 1231 Sycamore Street.

Mr. Scholl, Building Official, presented the case with a PowerPoint presentation describing the conditions of the property. This property consists of a residential structure. This structure has been without water service since May 10, 2022. The Amarillo Police Department has not been called out to this location since the property has become vacant. Building Safety has worked 5 cases since this property became vacant: weeds-junk & debris, open structure, and this dangerous structure case. This property is located 3 blocks from an elementary school and park. 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 demolition, Item III. Mr. Scholl listed the notification information. There are no 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. Jessie Herrera, 1004 N Manhattan St, Jesus Herrera, 1011 N Manhattan St, approach the podium. Jessie Herrera stated he will be working with Building Safety to obtain a permit. 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 Banes made a motion to approve the resolution for Option III, seconded by Commissioner Huseman, the motion passed with a 3:0 vote.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Constancio asked if there was any further business. There was none. Commissioner Constancio concluded the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 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