



*Las Vegas*

Agenda Item No.: 71.

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2006**

DEPARTMENT: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES  
DIRECTOR: STEPHEN HARSIN

Consent  Discussion

SUBJECT: Public hearing to consider the report of expenses to recover costs for abatement of vacant or abandoned building and assess civil penalties located at 2700 Brienza Way. PROPERTY OWNER: S. OTTA GRIFFITHS - (Ward 2, Wolfson)

**Fiscal Impact**

No Impact  Augmentation Required  
 Budget Funds Available

Amount: \$1,851.85

Funding Source: General Fund

Dept./Division: Neigh. Services/Response

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

The condition of the property was a public hazard and an attractive nuisance. The Department of Neighborhood Services declared the property in violation and started legal notification. When no corrective action was taken nor an appeal filed the Department of Neighborhood Services hired C.H. Construction, LLC to remove all trash, debris, refuse, waste, litter, all vegetation (dead, dry vegetation exceeding 8 inches in height), clean the swimming pool and post No Trespassing, No Dumping, No Vehicle signs on site. To date, there have been six (6) inspections conducted at this location. The value of the property based on the sale date of October 2003 was \$268,000.00.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council: 1. Approve the report of expenses in the amount of \$1,851.85 in order that the above charges be filed and recorded against the property, constituting a special assessment and lien. 2. Authorize that the Notice and Lien of Assessment be duly recorded with the County Treasurer.

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

1. Agenda Memo
2. Location Map
3. Report of Expenses
4. Contractor Disclosure
5. Notice of Public Hearing
6. Chronological List of Events
7. Copy of the Notice and Claim of Lien

Motion made by STEVE WOLFSON to Approve as recommended

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 1; Excused: 0

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LARRY BROWN, LOIS TARKANIAN, STEVE WOLFSON, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-LAWRENCE WEEKLY); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

Video shown but not submitted.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the public hearing open.

The property owner was not present.

DEVIN SMITH, Manager of Neighborhood Response, read the purpose/background regarding the condition of the property as a public and attractive nuisance requiring the described abatement. Upon six inspections of the property and no response from the owner, MR. SMITH recommended the City Council approve the report of expenses in the amount of \$1,851.85 to C & H Construction, LLC. The value of the property, based on the sale of October 2003, was \$268,000. He recommended that the above charges be filed and recorded against the property as a special assessment and lien and that the Notice and Lien of Assessment should be filed and recorded with the County Treasurer's Office.

MAYOR GOODMAN was disappointed to see the deterioration of such a beautiful property.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON referenced the report from staff regarding the process of placing liens and collecting fines on these properties. He was impressed that the collection rate on collecting these fines was 85 percent and commended MR. SMITH'S department on a good job. The Councilman discussed the abatement process with MR. SMITH and requested that the video presentations include an aerial footage of the surrounding properties to show the impact the deteriorated properties have on their neighborhood.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the public hearing closed.