



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 42.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008

DEPARTMENT: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES
DIRECTOR: STEPHEN KUHARSIN

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT: Public Hearing to consider the report, expenses to recover costs for abatement of vacant or abandoned building and assess civil penalties located at 1104 Meadbrook Street. PROPERTY OWNER: GIGORIA GOMEZ (\$5,951.97 General Fund) - Ward 3 (Reese)

Fiscal Impact

No Impact Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount: \$5,951.97

Funding Source: General Fund

Dept./Division: Neighborhood 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 Disaster Kleen-Up of NV. To date, there have been six (6) inspections conducted at this location. The value of the property based on the sale date of November 2004 was \$185,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council: Approve the report of expenses in the amount of \$5,951.97 for work completed by Disaster Kleen-Up of NV.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Agenda Memo
2. Location Maps
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 GARY REESE to Approve as recommended

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1
RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-OSCAR B. GOODMAN)

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Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE declared the Public Hearing open.

A videotape was shown depicting the condition of the property, but a copy was not submitted for the minutes.

The property owner was not present.

DEVIN SMITH, Manager of the Neighborhood Response Division, read the Purpose/Background and Recommendation sections and detailed the abatement work performed by Disaster Kleen-Up of NV.

TOM McGOWAN, Las Vegas resident, questioned the whereabouts of the property owner. Is the owner out of state or a local resident? He wondered at what point the City is authorized to take ownership of nuisance properties to make the City whole. DANIEL STILL, Deputy City Attorney, advised MR. McGOWAN that the City has no authority to take someone's property and put it in the City's name. MR. McGOWAN suggested to address the State Legislature and demand the power to take remedial action in these cases or continue to operate at a loss in these matters.

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE declared the Public Hearing closed.

