



*Las Vegas*

Agenda Item No.: 61.

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: OCTOBER 1, 2008**

**DEPARTMENT: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES  
DIRECTOR: STEPHEN KUHARSIN**

Consent  Discussion

**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing to consider the report, expenses to recover costs in the amount of \$17,593.85 (General Fund) for abatement of hazardous building demolition and assess a maximum of \$300,000 in daily civil penalties located at 4901 Donald Road. PROPERTY OWNERS: PAY DIRT DEV & CONSTRUCTION, LLC, Warren (Ross)

**Fiscal Impact**

- No Impact  Augmentation Required  
 Budget Funds Available

**Amount:** \$17,593.85  
**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 W.A. Construction. To date, there have been nineteen (19) inspections conducted at this location. The value of the property based on the sale date of September 2005 was \$950,000.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council: Approve the report of expenses to include \$14,749 invoice for W.A. Construction services and \$550 invoice for CamAir asbestos survey in addition to other fees assessed for a total of \$17,593.85 and consider assessing a maximum of \$300,000 in daily civil penalties.

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

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

Motion made by STEVEN D. ROSS to Approve as recommended and the assessment of \$300,000 additional civil penalties

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Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

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

### Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN clarified the item of discussion was Item 61 then declared the Public Hearing open.

DEVIN SMITH, Manager of Neighborhood Response, read the Purpose/Background and Recommendation sections.

A videotape was shown but a copy was not submitted.

The property owner was not present.

TEDDY RUSSELL, Las Vegas resident, was displeased with the owners abandoning their properties, particularly those with greater values, he looks forward to solutions.

COUNCILMAN ROSS confirmed with MR. SMITH that negotiations took place, there would be a signed agreement indicating the owner's intentions to rehabilitate the property. Thereafter, the item would come back before Council for consideration. The Councilman was pleased with this process and supported assessing fines totaling \$317,593.85.

MAYOR GOODMAN added that he witnessed an individual who came in to City Hall and was eager to pay the lesser amount of fees to avoid additional fees. He feels the City's actions are having an impact on some of these property owners, who now desires to resolve the issue before the fines increase.

