



*Las Vegas*

Agenda Item No.: 87.

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JUNE 17, 2009**

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

Consent  Discussion

**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing to consider the report & expenses to recover costs for abatement of nuisance located at 6328 Ruby Red Circle in the amount of \$2,949 (General Fund) and assess a maximum of \$81,050 in daily civil penalties. **PROPERTY OWNER: FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION** (Tarkanian)

**Fiscal Impact**

- No Impact
- Budget Funds Available
- Augmentation Required

**Amount:** \$2,949

**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 Hicks Unique Building and Construction to remove all refuse and waste, remove all weeds/grass exceeding 8 inches in height in all yards, and posted signs (no trespassing/dumping/vehicles). To date, there have been seven (7) inspections conducted at this location. The value of the property based on the sale date of September 2005 was \$250,000.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council: Approve the report of expenses to include \$500 invoice for Hicks Unique Building and Construction in addition to other fees assessed for a total of \$2,949 and consider assessing a maximum of \$81,050 in daily civil penalties.

**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 LOIS TARKANIAN to Approve an assessment of \$2,949 and civil penalties of \$50,000

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

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Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing open.

The property owner was not present.

A videotape was shown, but a copy was not submitted.

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

ANTHONY HODGES asked the Council to make sure the owners pay the property taxes.

BJ MARTIN, Las Vegas resident, observed that the property owner is a federal agency and should be more responsive. MR. SMITH stated that staff had not been able to determine if the property owner was a federal agency, but acknowledged the possibility that it was.

MR. SMITH stated that staff had several communications with the property owner, who was aware of this hearing. COUNCILWOMAN TARKA stated the poor condition of this property has negatively impacted the other homes in this neighborhood and the refusal of banks and mortgage companies to maintain their properties was not fair.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing closed.

