

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: MARCH 2, 2011

DEPARTMENT: BUILDING AND SAFETY**DIRECTOR: CHRIS KNIGHT**☐ Consent ☒ Discussion**SUBJECT:**

Public Hearing and possible action to consider the report of expenses to recover costs for abatement of nuisance located at 3101 Kaibab Avenue in the amount of \$5,646.75 (General Fund) and assess a maximum of \$27,050 in daily civil penalties. PROPERTY OWNER: JAIME LOPEZ - Ward 3 (Reese)

Fiscal Impact☐**No Impact**☐ Augmentation Required☐**Budget Funds Available****Amount:** \$5,646.75**Funding Source:** General Fund**Dept./Division:** Building and Safety/Neighborhood 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 Blast Janitorial Service to remove all debris, piled dead vegetation, discarded appliances from all yards, remove detached, deteriorated gazebo type structure in rear yard, cut and remove all high or dead vegetation from all yards, property border and sidewalk area, and apply herbicide, board all open doors and windows on main structure, and post no trespass sign. To date, there have been eleven (11) inspections conducted at this location. The estimated value of the property based on Zillow.com is \$48,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council: Approve the report of expenses to include \$1,025 invoice for Blast Janitorial Service in addition to other fees assessed for a total of \$5,646.75 and consider assessing a maximum of \$27,050 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
8. Submitted at Meeting Site Photos by Staff

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Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve an assessment of \$5,646.75 and civil penalties of \$27,050.00

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

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

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing open.

DEVIN SMITH, Manager of Neighborhood Response, read the Purpose, Background and Recommendation sections, noting that the property has been foreclosed and that staff has yet to receive a response from the property owner.

TODD FARLOW, Las Vegas resident, expressed concern about the landscaping. He wondered if a neighbor willing to water the landscaping in order to maintain the property could have the water cost discounted on the utility bill.

ANTHONY HODGES agreed with MR. FARLOW'S comments and urged the Council to recoup as much money as possible.

COUNCILMAN REESE appreciated staff and all its efforts

After the vote, at the request of COUNCILMAN WOLFSON, CHRIS KNIGHT, Director of Building and Safety, commented that his staff is researching ways to shorten the timeframe for abatements, thereby reducing the daily civil penalties and costs to the City.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing closed.

