



**BUILDING STANDARD COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING /SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2016**

Deanie Barrett – Chairperson

Bart Jennings – Member

Louis “Mac” McGaffey – Vice Chairperson

Trina Phillips – Member

Billy Jefferson - Member

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL: Members Present: Louis McGaffey – Vice Chairman
Billy Jefferson
Bart Jennings

Member Absent: Deanie Barrett – Chairman
Trina Phillips

STAFF PRESENT: Les Rumburg, DDS Director
Kathleen Van Stavern CCS Officer
Sherlyn Williams - Development Serv. Dept

3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Prayer led by Billy Jefferson

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Bart Jennings.

4. MINUTES

Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey asked for a correction to the previous meeting minutes to reflect a regular meeting instead of a special meeting.

Motion made by Billy Jefferson to accept the minutes with corrections.

Motion 2nd by Bart Jennings

Motion passed unanimously

5. CITIZEN’S PARTICIPATION.

Comments from the Public (At this time, any person with city-related business who has signed up may speak to Building Standards Commission (limited to three(3) minutes). In Compliance with Texas Open Meeting Act the Building Standards Commission may not deliberate on comments. Personal attacks will not be allowed, and personnel matters should be addressed to the City Manager during normal business hours.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

Conduct a Public Hearing to hear the Public input regarding the following properties, declaring to be Substandard and Ordering Remedies, Provided by Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 54§C., Quasi- Judicial Enforcement of Health and Safety Ordinance Through the City Ordinance Chapter 14, Section 280.

1. Address: 411 Ave A, La Marque, TX 77568- Anoma Somasunderam 6609 Golf Crest Dr, Galveston, TX 77551
2. Address: 413 Ave A, La Marque, TX 77568 - Anoma Somasunderam 6609 Golf Crest Dr, Galveston, TX 77551
3. Address: 1910 Oaklawn, La Marque, TX 77568 - Yvonne Leboede, 520 3rd Ave N #101, Texas City, TX 77590

Public Hearing Closed at 6:05 pm

7. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion/possible action declaring the following properties to be Substandard Ordering Remedies Provided by Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 54, §C., Quasi-Judicial Enforcement of Health and Safety Ordinance, through the City Ordinance Chapter 14, Section 280.

- a. Address: 2125 Cedar, La Marque, Texas 77568 - Mr. Alarcon, 2200 N Loop West, Ste. 200, Houston, TX 77018, Phone 832-888-6387 – Presented a structural engineers report from Wesley Allan Buchhorn, with a scope of work and time line. The completion date is November 18, 2016
Mr. Alarcon stated he is bringing this property up to code in order to sell it and is currently researching reputable contractors to complete the repairs.
A Motion was made by Billy Jefferson to accept the structural engineers report, scope of work and time line and allowing 60 days to bring the property into compliance and up to code.
Motion 2nd by Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey
Motion passed unanimously
- b. Address: 2024 & 2024 ½ Rosalee, LaMarque, TX 77568 – No representative present
Motion made by Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey to demolish property
motion 2nd by Billy Jefferson
Motion passed unanimously

8. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/possible action declaring the following properties to be Substandard and Ordering Remedies provided by Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 54§ C., Quasi Judicial Enforcement of Health and Safety Ordinance, through the City Ordinance Chapter 14, Section 280

- a. Address: 411 Ave A, LaMarque, Texas, 77568 and
413 Ave A, LaMarque, TX 77568 - Appeared Anoma Somasunderam with an Engineers report from Navam Sivaruban, PE, along with a scope of work and timeline asking for 6 months to arrange financing and complete all repairs required to bring property into compliance.

Code Compliance Supervisor Kathleen Van Stavern asked for a set timeline since the property

was brought before the BSC after Hurricane Ike and again when this property was the focus of a law enforcement investigation involving stolen property and a murder. Ms. Van Stavern requested that the commission require the property to be secured with a fence during all phases of renovation to deter anymore illegal activity that may occur during renovations.

Motion by Vice Chairman, Louis McGaffey to allow the property owners 6 months to bring property into compliance with the owners signing of a Voluntary Demolition to keep the integrity of the agreement between the property owner and the Building Standards Commission. This was agreed upon by both parties and will be reviewed by the Building Standards Commission in 6 months. At that time the city has the authorization from property owner to demolish the structure if no repairs are or have been made..

Motion 2nd by Billy Jefferson

Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Address: 1910 Oaklawn, La Marque, Texas, 77568 appeared Yvonne Leboede stating she wanted to turn the property over to the Galveston County to satisfy the taxes owed.

Code Compliance Supervisor Kathleen Van Stavern explained to Mrs. Leboede that she may contact the county and relinquish any interest in her property.

Ms. Van Stavern explained the city's voluntary demolition process and the Galveston County Program for demolition to Ms. Leboede as another option.

Mrs. Leboede stated she needed time to get all her things out of the property and was granted 60 days to remove her belongings and no extensions.

Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey made a motion that she sign a Voluntary Demolition form and give her 2 months to retrieve her personal items from property. Ms. Leboede agreed to return to City Hall on 9-14-2016 to sign the documents with a notary available.

Motion 2nd by Bart Jennings

Motion passed unanimously

9. CHAIRMAN REPORT

There was no report

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE Building Standards Commission for the City of LaMarque, Texas reserves the right to Adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).

11. REQUESTS AND ANOUNCEMENTS

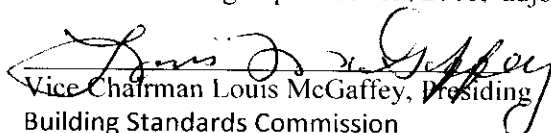
12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Billy Jefferson to adjourn .

Motion 2nd by Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey.

Motion passed unanimously

BSC meeting September 13, 2016, adjourned at 6:50p.m.


Vice Chairman Louis McGaffey, Presiding
Building Standards Commission