



**CITY OF LA MARQUE
BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION
REGULAR MINUTES
of
October 8, 2024**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Pennington called a meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

David Pennington	Chairperson
Kaleb Smith	Vice Chairperson
Sally Austin	Commissioner

ABSENT:

Maggie Manuel	Commissioner
Veverly Sumlin	Commissioner

**CITY OFFICIALS /
OTHERS:**

Jose Hernandez	Code Enforcement Supervisor
Myrna P. Sanchez	Code Enforcement Administrative Assistant

3. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was no citizen's participation.

4. MINUTES

4.1. Regular Building & Standard Minutes 9.10.2024

Vice-Chairperson Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2024. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. OLD BUSINESS

5.1. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 1727 Main St., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez announced that the project is moving along although still waiting for water and sewer. As long as the permits are kept on track, everything will be good. Due to the hurricane making landfall in Florida, the owner shared, before the meeting, that they would try to have someone represent them at the meeting, yet at the time the item was called no one had showed up.

Vice-Chairperson Smith made a motion to take no action. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5.II. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 912 Azalea Ct., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez shared that the city had attempted to make contact with the property owner numerous times. Once the city made contact it was revealed that he had issues with the permitting department previously. However, with the city's new permit administration, he shouldn't have any issues anymore. Scott Wall, 3821 Hansen Dr. Dickinson, TX 77539 mentioned he brought additional pictures. He had a copy of both the engineering and windstorm report, and it was certified that it is structurally sound. He provided the information to the city. Chairperson Pennington announced that the owner needed to meet with the Permitting Department first to get a substandard permit and then additional permits could be received.

Vice-Chairperson Smith made a motion to remove 912 Azalea Ct. from the demolition list authorizing a 90-day extension with a 30-day update. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5.III. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 2317 Boss St., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez recalled that when he went to the property on September 27th, the house still looked the same. It had not been demolished yet. Owner Michael Larocca (7109 Beau Rue St. Hitchcock, TX 77563) mentioned the house is no longer there. It was demolished the morning of the meeting. It took longer than expected, almost 3 weeks for the electric company to remove power from the structure and the gas company still cannot locate the gas, but other than that the house is gone. The only thing left is a big magnolia tree. **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

5.IV. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 1915 Rosalee, La Marque, TX 77568

Sherry Woodard (1308 Cedar Dr. La Marque, TX 77568) announced that the owner was present to sign for the demo, but was told that he could not sign. Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez reminded the commission that when the City Attorney was present, the commission decided to add the property to the demolition list. Attorney Knebel mentioned the city would be liable if it were to demolish. He stated that the city needed to find the sole owner of the property. Sherry Woodard mentioned there is no one sole owner, only Mr. Wilson. His other relatives don't want any part of it or the siblings have passed away. Vice-Chairperson Smith made a motion to proceed with the demolition without needing to have Mr. Wilson return. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5.V. 60-day Progress Review for a Substandard Structure: 2415 Jackson, La Marque, TX 77568

Sherry Woodard (1308 Cedar Dr. La Marque, TX 77568) mentioned that the owners

are still waiting for ADICO, the 3rd party contractor, for the new replat. Once received, there could be a sale of the property. Vice-Chairperson Smith made a motion for a 30-day update. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6.I. Considering a Substandard Structure: 1214 Bayou Rd., La Marque, TX 77568
Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez mentioned that Mr. Kirsten gave him a call to let him know a brief description of his situation, and that he would try to make it for the next meeting. Vice-Chairperson made a motion to demolish 1214 Bayou Rd. Commissioner Austin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no requests or announcements.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Austin made a motion to adjourn. Vice-Chairperson Smith seconded.

***The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.*

Chairperson
Building and Standards Commission