



**CITY OF LA MARQUE
BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION
REGULAR MINUTES
of
January 14, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Pennington called a meeting to order 6:02 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

David Pennington	Chairperson
Maggie Manuel	Commissioner
Veverly Sumlin	Commissioner

ABSENT:

Sally Austin	Commissioner
Kaleb Smith	Vice-Chairperson

CITY OFFICIALS / STAFF

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

3. REPORTS

3.I. Financial Report

No reports presented.

4. MINUTES

4.I. Regular Building Standards Commission Minutes 12.10.2024

Commissioner Manuel made a motion to approve the November 12, 2024 minutes.
Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

NO CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

6. OLD BUSINESS

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

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez stated that no permits have been requested for the property and no work has been completed since the last meeting. Amin Suliman (175 SW 7th St Ste. 1605 Miami, FL 77010) shared that the project is currently stalled due to needing to hire new contractors. Leon Dame (4455 E. Nunneley Rd. Ste.101 Gilbert, AZ 85296) stated that he and his co-owner

received 3 bids for contractors and will move forward once bids are reviewed. Commissioner Manuel made a motion for 30days extension. Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez stated there has been progress but was unable to enter the property prior to the meeting. Scott Wall (3821 Hansen Dr. Dickinson, TX 77539) shared that he has a lot of personal and health issues, but is doing his best to bring the property up to meet the required standards. He shared that an electrician has obtained a permit and the interior has been rewired but a new panel box needs to be installed. He also shared that a plumber is working on getting permits and the framing of the house will be completed after the plumbing work is complete. Mr. Wall stated that he anticipates the house becoming livable within the next month. Commissioner Sumlin made a motion for 30days progress. Commissioner Manuel seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.III. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 1214 Bayou Rd., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez stated that the building still looks the same, but it is secured, and the grass is cut. Richard Kristen (3651 Blue Bonnet Blvd. Houston, TX 77025) stated that he knows it's a liability and used the location for storage in the past. He is looking to move the house within 60 to 90 days. Commissioner Sumlin made a motion to give 90 days with 30-day progress. Commissioner Manuel seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.IV. 30-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 2803 S. Houston Dr., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez shared that the City of La Marque Building Inspector and Fire Marshal went to inspect the property as requested by the board. Chairperson Pennington mentioned that according to the report received by the Commission, an engineer needs to come in and state what portion of the house is damaged. Tara Sobnosky (37 Borondo Street La Marque, TX) shared that contractors were brought in, and they stated that an engineer would have to sign off before anyone could start working on the house. Chairperson Pennington asked the owner what the time frame is for when repairs would be done and Ms. Sobnosky stated it would take approximately six (6) to twelve (12) months. Rick Black (37 Borondo Strech La Marque, TX) shared that he and Ms. Sobnosky are working on gathering the proper funds. Commissioner Sumlin made a motion for 120 days and a 30-day progress review. Commissioner Manuel seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.V. 60-day Progress Review of a Substandard Structure: 2415 Jackson St., La Marque, TX 77568

Code Enforcement Supervisor Hernandez stated that the property had not changed, but noted the grass was getting high. Sherri Woodard (1308 Cedar Dr. La Marque, TX) stated that a replat has been going on for the past two (2) years. The progress on this property and replat is currently in with the La Marque Permits

Department. Ms. Woodard also shared that she had obtained an engineer report stating that the structure is good. Commissioner Manuel made a motion for a 30-day progress review. Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.I. Considering a Substandard Structure: 3004 Melody Dr., La Marque, TX 77568
Commissioner Manuel made a motion to table this item for next month.
Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.II. Considering a Substandard Structure: 2622 Meadow Ln., La Marque, TX 77568
Chairperson Pennington made a motion to table this item for next month.
Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.III. Electing a Chair and Vice Chair for the 2025 calendar year
Commissioner Manuel made a motion to table this item for next month.
Commissioner Sumlin seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no requests or announcements made.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Manuel made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sumlin seconded. *****MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:43 P.M.***

Chairperson
Building and Standard Commission