

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: County Counsel/TLMA
Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
February 15, 2008

SUBJECT: Abatement of Public Nuisance [Substandard Structures and Accumulation of Rubbish];
Case Nos.: CV 07-6461 & CV 07-0622
Subject Property: 18960 Dexter Avenue, Lake Elsinore; APN: 377-090-039
District One

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that:

- (1) The substandard structures (primary structure and accessory barn) on the real property located at 18960 Dexter Avenue, Lake Elsinore, Riverside County, California, APN 377-090-039 be declared a public nuisance and a violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 457 which does not permit substandard structures on the property.
- (2) Larry W. Casey & Suanne Blair Casey, Trustees of the Casey Family Trust UTD April 18, 1990, the owners of the subject real property, be directed to abate the substandard structures on the property by rehabilitating, removing and/or demolishing the same from the real property, including the removal and disposal of all structural debris and materials, within ninety (90) days.

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for JOE S. RANK, County Counsel

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *Tina Grande*
Tina Grande

County Executive Office Signature

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Dep't Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: _____ District: 1 Agenda Number: _____

- (3) The owners be ordered to ascertain the existence or non-existence of asbestos containing materials in said structures by survey and materials sample testing through the Industrial Hygiene Specialist of the County Health Department, Division of Special Services; and, prior to the abatement ordered in paragraph number two (2) above, to secure the removal and disposal of all asbestos containing materials discovered through such survey and testing by contract with a duly certified and licensed contractor for the handling of such materials to avoid citations and/or fines imposed by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) pursuant to SCAQMD Rule No. 1403.
- (4) The accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 18960 Dexter Avenue, Lake Elsinore, be declared a public nuisance and a violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 541 which does not permit the accumulation of rubbish on the property.
- (5) The owners of the subject property, be directed to abate the accumulation of rubbish on the property by removing and disposing of the same from the real property within ninety (90) days.
- (6) If the owners of the real property do not take the above described action within ninety (90) days of the date of the Board's Order to Abate, that representatives of the Code Enforcement Department, Sheriff's Department, and/or a contractor, upon consent of the owners, receipt of a Court Order authorizing entry onto the real property, or other authorization as provided by law, shall abate the substandard structures and the accumulation of rubbish by removing and disposing of the same from the real property.
- (7) The reasonable cost of the abatement, after notice and an opportunity for hearing, shall be imposed as a lien on the real property, which may be collected as a special assessment against the real property pursuant to Government Code Section 25845 and Ordinance No. 725.
- (8) County Counsel be directed to prepare the necessary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law that the substandard structures and the accumulation of rubbish on the real property are declared to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 and 541 and constitute a public nuisance. Further, County Counsel shall prepare an Order to Abate for approval by the Board of Supervisors.

JUSTIFICATION:

1. An initial inspection was made of the subject real property by the Code Enforcement Officer on August 3, 2007.
2. The inspection revealed two substandard structures (primary structure and accessory barn) on the subject real property in violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 457. The substandard conditions of the structures included, but were not limited to the following: lack of or improper water closet, lavatory, bathtub or kitchen sink; lack of hot and cold running water to plumbing fixtures; hazardous plumbing; lack of required electrical lighting; hazardous wiring; lack of adequate heating facilities; members of walls, partitions or other vertical supports that split, lean, list or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; members of ceilings, roofs, ceiling and roof supports or other

horizontal members which sag, split or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; dampness of habitable rooms; faulty weather protection including missing doors and windows; general dilapidation or improper maintenance; and abandoned, vacant, public and attractive nuisance. The inspection also revealed the accumulation of rubbish (approximately 1620 square feet) on the subject property in violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 541. The accumulation of rubbish consisted of, but was not limited to the following materials: household trash, wood, carpet, furniture, green waste and miscellaneous debris.

3. Subsequent inspections of the above-described real property on September 24, 2007, November 6, 2007 and January 16, 2008, revealed that the property continues to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 and 541.
4. Staff and the Code Enforcement Department have complied with the requirements set forth in the appropriate laws of this jurisdiction pertaining to the administrative abatement proceedings for substandard structures and accumulated rubbish.