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



FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

**SUBJECT:** Order to Abate [Grading Without a Permit]

Case No.: CV 06-3907 (MUNIZ)

Subject Property: 33495 Mirage Mesa Circle, Temecula; APN: 965-390-008

**District Three** 

**RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that** 

(1) The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 06-3907 be approved;

(2)The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to execute the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 06-3907; and

(3)The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to record the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 06-3907.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Departmental Concurrence

On January 12, 2010, this Board received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer in the abovereferenced matter. At the conclusion of the hearing, this Board declared the illegal grading located on the subject property to be a public nuisance. The Board ordered the property owner to abate the violative conditions on the property and directed County Counsel to prepare the Findings of Fact, Conclusion and Order to Abate.

JULIE JARVI, Deputy County Counsel (Continued) for PAMELA J. WALLS, County Counsel Current F.Y. Total Cost: \$ N/A In Current Year Budget: N/A **FINANCIAL Current F.Y. Net County Cost: Budget Adjustment:** \$ N/A N/A DATA **Annual Net County Cost:** For Fiscal Year: \$ N/A N/A SOURCE OF FUNDS: Positions To Be **Deleted Per A-30** Requires 4/5 Vote APPROVE C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: valde

**County Executive Office Signature** 

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1 2	RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors		
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5	WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO:		
6	Julie Jarvi, Deputy County Counsel County of Riverside		
7	OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL 3960 Orange Street, Fifth Floor (Stop #1350)		
8	Riverside, CA 92501	[EXEMPT '6103]	
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	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS		
10	COUNTY OF RIV	VERSIDE	
11	IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE:	CASE NO. CV 06-3907	
12	[UNAPPROVED GRADING]; APN: 965-390-008, ) 33495 MIRAGE MESA CIRCLE, TEMECULA,	FINDINGS OF FACT,	
13	RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; ANTONIO RAUL MUNIZ AND AIDA MUNIZ,	CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE	
14	OWNERS.		
15	)	[R.C.O. Nos. 457 (RCC Title 15) and 725 (RCC Title 1)]	
16	The above-captioned matter came on regularly	y for hearing on January 12, 2010, before the	
17	Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of Californiain the Board Room, First Floor		
18	Annex, County Administrative Center, 4080 LemonStreet, Riverside, California regarding the real		
19	property described as 33495 Mirage Mesa Circle, Temecula, Riverside County, APN: 965-390-008,		
20	and referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."		
21	Julie Jarvi, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising Code		
22	Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.		
23	Owners did not appear. Mr. Maybee appeared and addressed the Board of Supervisors.		
24	The Board of Supervisors received the Declara	tion of the Code Enforcement Officer together	
25	with the attached Exhibits, evidencing the unapproved grading on THE PROPERTY as a public		
26	nuisance and violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 457 as codified in Riverside County Code		
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## **SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE**

- 1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the Owners of THE PROPERTY as Antonio Raul Muniz and Aida Muniz("OWNERS").
- 2. Documents of title indicate that other parties potentially hold a legal interest in THE PROPERTY, to wit: Prenovost, Normandin, Bergh & Dawe, Wachovia Dealer Services, Inc., and State of California Franchise Tax Board
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on August 31, 2006, March 26, 2008, August 6, 2009, September 4, 2009, December 28, 2009, and January 9, 2010.
- 4. During each inspection, seven hundred (700) cubic yards of imported dirt was observed on THE PROPERTY without permits.
- 5. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 457 (RCC Title 15) by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 6. A Notice of Noncompliance was recorded on September 25, 2006 as Document Number 2006-0707531 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- 7. On August 31, 2006, a Notice of Violation for Unapproved Grading was posted on THE PROPERTY. On September 21, 2006 and March 27, 2008, a Notice of Violation was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested to the INTERESTED PARTIES. On September 21, 2006 and November 21, 2007, a Notice of Violation was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested to OWNERS.
- 8. On December 28, 2009, a "Notice To Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors was posted on THE PROPERTY and on December 24, 2009 was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNERS and INTERESTED PARTIES.

### **FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on January 12, 2009 finds and concludes that:

1. WHEREAS, the unapproved grading on the real property located at 33495 Mirage Mesa Circle, Temecula, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number

965-390-008 violates Riverside County Ordinance No. 457 and constitutes a public nuisance and attractive nuisance.

- 2. WHEREAS, THE OWNERS, occupants and any person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY should abate the condition by restoring THE PROPERTY to the satisfaction of the Department of Building and Safety so as to prevent offsite drainage and slope erosion in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance No. 457, within ninety (90) days.
- 3. WHEREAS, THE OWNERS ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTICED that a five (5) year hold on the issuance of building permits and land use approvals may be placed on THE PROPERTY. Upon restoration of the property and payment of the lien the five (5) year hold on the building permit issuance and land use approvals will be released.
- 4. WHEREAS, THE OWNERS ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTICED that the time within which judicial review of the administrative determinations made herein must be sought is ninety (90) days from the posting and mailing of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order To Abate Nuisance, and is governed by <u>California Code of Civil Procedure</u> Section 1094.6.

## ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the unapproved grading on THE PROPERTY located 33495 Mirage Mesa Circle, Temecula, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 965-390-008 be abated by the OWNERS, and anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by restoring THE PROPERTY to the satisfaction of the Department of Building and Safety so as to prevent offsite drainage and slope erosion in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance No. 457, within ninety (90) days of the posting and mailing of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if unapproved grading on THE PROPERTY is not restored to the satisfaction of the Department of Building and Safety so as to prevent offsite drainage and slope erosion in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance No. 457, within ninety (90) days of the posting and mailing of this Order to Abate Nuisance, the unapproved grading shall be abated by representatives of the Riverside County

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Code Enforcement Department, a contractor, or the Sheriff's Department upon receipt of the owner's consent or a Court Order, where necessary, under applicable law authorizing entry onto THE PROPERTY.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reasonable abatement costs, after notice and opportunity for hearing, shall be imposed as a lien on THE PROPERTY, which may be collected as a special assessment against THE PROPERTY pursuant to Government Code section 25845 and Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 and 725. Under Riverside County Ordinance 725, "abatement costs" means "any costs or expenses reasonably related to the abatement of conditions which violate County Land Use Ordinances, and shall include, but not be limited to, enforcement, investigation, collection and administrative costs, attorneys fees, and the costs associated with the removal or correction of the violation." Reasonable abatement costs accrued by the Code Enforcement Department will be recoverable from the property owner(s) even if THE PROPERTY is brought into compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

Dated:	COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE		
•	By Marion Ashley Chairman, Board of Su	pervisors	
ATTEST:			
KECIA HARPER-IHEM			
Clerk to the Board			
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Deputy			