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





FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: April 14, 2011

SUBJECT: Order to Abate [Substandard Structure & Accumulated Rubbish]

Case Nos.: CV10-03317 [PLATA]

Subject Property: 16605 Indian Ave., North Palm Springs; APN: 666-110-022

District: Five

#### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that:

- 1. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 10-03317 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 10-03317; 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 10-03317.

(Continued)		L. ALEXANORA FONG, Deputy County Counsel			
		for PAMELA J.	WALLS, County (	Counsel	
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	
				Requires 4/5 Vote	
C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:		APPROVE ,			
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County Executive Office Signature		Alex Gann			

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

On March 29, 2011, this Board received the declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer in the above-referenced matter. At the conclusion of the hearing, this Board declared the substandard structure (metal structure) and accumulated rubbish 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 Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate.

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1	RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the				
2	Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010)				
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6	WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO: L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel				
7	County of Riverside OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL				
8	3960 Orange Street, Suite 500 (Stop #1350) Riverside, CA 92501  [EXEMPT '6103 and 27383]				
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10	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE				
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12	IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: ) CASE NO. CV 10-03317 [SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE AND )				
13	ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH]; APN 666-110-) FINDINGS OF FACT, 022, 16605 INDIAN AVE., NORTH PALM CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO				
14	SPRINGS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE ) ABATE NUISANCE OF CALIFORNIA; ROSALIO PLATA, OWNER. ) [R.C.O. Nos. 457 (RCC Title 15), 541				
15	(RCC Title 8) and 725 (RCC Title 1)]				
16	The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on March 29, 2011, 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 16605 Indian Ave., North Palm Springs, Riverside County, Assessor's Parcel				
20	Number 666-110-022 and referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."				
21	L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising				
22	Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.				
23	No one appeared on behalf of owner.  The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together.				
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26 27	PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 (Riverside County Code Title 15) and 541 (Riverside County Code Chapter 8.120), and as a public nuisance.				
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#### SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

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1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owner of THE PROPERTY as Rosalio Plata ("OWNER").

- Documents of title indicate that other parties potentially hold a legal interest in THE PROPERTY, to-wit: Creditway of America #2 and State of California Employment Development Department ("INTERESTED PARTIES").
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on June 17, 2010, August 4, 2010, August 26, 2010, October 15, 2010, February 8, 2011, March 15, 2011 and March 25, 2011.
- 4. During each inspection, one substandard structure (metal structure) was observed on THE PROPERTY. The structure was observed to be abandoned, dilapidated and vacant. The structures contained numerous deficiencies, including but not limited to: members of ceilings, roofs, ceiling and roof supports or other horizontal members which sag, split or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; general dilapidation or improper maintenance; and public and attractive nuisance – abandoned and vacant.
- 5. During each inspection an accumulation of rubbish was observed throughout THE PROPERTY consisting of but not limited to: pile of broken asphalt, trash and debris.
- 6. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance No. 457 (RCC Title 15) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 7. A Notice of Noncompliance was recorded on August 18, 2010, as Document Number 2010-0392862 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- 8. On June 17, 2010, a Notice of Violation, Notice of Defects, a "Danger Do Not Enter" and a "Do Not Dump" sign were posted on THE PROPERTY. On September 2, 2010, a Notice of Violation for the substandard structure and accumulation of rubbish was mailed to OWNER by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 9. On March 15, 2011, a "Notice to Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors on March 29, 2011, was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNER and INTERESTED

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#### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on March 29, 2011, finds and concludes that:

- 1. WHEREAS, the substandard structure (metal structure) and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 16605 Indian Ave., North Palm Springs, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 666-110-022 violates Riverside County Nos. 457 (RCC Chapter 15.16) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) and constitutes a public nuisance.
- 2. WHEREAS, the OWNER, occupants and any person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY shall abate the substandard structure condition by razing, removing and disposing of the substandard structure, including the removal and disposal of all structural debris and materials, and contents therein or by reconstruction and rehabilitation of said structure provided that said reconstruction or demolition can be accomplished 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 OWNER, occupants and any other person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY shall abate the accumulation of rubbish by removing and disposing of all rubbish on THE PROPOERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance No. 541 within ninety (90) days.
- 4. WHEREAS, the OWNER AND INTERESTED PARTIES 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 California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6.

#### **ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE**

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the substandard structure (metal structure) on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNER, Rosalio Plata, or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by razing and removing the substandard structure including the removal and disposal of all structural debris and materials, as well as the contents therein, or by reconstruction and

rehabilitation of said structure provided such reconstruction and rehabilitation can be accomplished 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 the substandard structure is not razed, removed and disposed of, or reconstructed and rehabilitated 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 substandard structure, contents therein, and structural debris and materials, may be abated by representatives of the Riverside County 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.

FURTHERMORE, the OWNER is ordered to ascertain the existence or non-existence of asbestos containing materials in said structure by survey and materials sample testing by a duly licensed and certified asbestos consultant; and, prior to the abatement ordered hereinabove, to secure the removal 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 by South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the accumulation of rubbish on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNERS or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by removing and disposing of all rubbish from THE PROPERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance No. 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the accumulation of rubbish is not removed and disposed of in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance, the accumulation of rubbish may be abated by representatives of the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department, a contractor or the Sheriff's Department upon receipt of an

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

BY: ALEXANDRA FONG 'DATE'

owner's consent or a Court Order when necessary under applicable law.

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 (RCC Chapter 15.16), 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120), and 725 (RCC Chapter 1.16). Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 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 OWNER 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 Bob Buster
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

KECIA HARPER-IHEM

Clerk to the Board

By

Deputy

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