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

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Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: JUN 14, 2011

SUBJECT:

Order to Abate [Substandard Structure, Excessive Outside Storage &

Accumulated Rubbish]

Case No.: CV10-07493 [BURKS]

Subject Property: 21060 Rider Street, Perris; APN: 318-171-027

District: One

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that:

**County Executive Office Signature** 

- The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 10-07493 1. be approved;
- The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to execute the Findings 2. of Fact, Conclusions and order to Abate in Case No. CV 10-07493; and
- The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to record the Findings of Fact, 3. Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 10-07493.

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

Policy Policy

Consent

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Departmental Concurrence

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Abatement of Public Nuisance Case No.: CV 10-07493 [BURKS] 21060 Rider Street, Perris APN# 318-171-027 District One Page 2

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On May 24, 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, excess outside storage and accumulation of rubbish 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, Conclusions and Order to Abate.

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1	RECORDING REQUESTED BY:						
2	Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors						
3	(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 GC §§ 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 10-07493 (SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE, EXCESSIVE )						
13	OUTSIDE STORAGE AND ACCUMULATION ) FINDINGS OF FACT, OF RUBBISH]; APN 318-171-027, 21060 RIDER ) CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO						
14	STREET, PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, ) ABATE NUISANCE STATE OF CALIFORNIA; BERTRAM L. )						
15	BURKS AND SHARON D. BURKS, OWNERS. (R.C.O. Nos. 457 (RCC Title 15), 348 (RCC Title 17), 541 (RCC Title 8) and						
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17	The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on May 24, 2011, before the Board						
18	of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor Annex,						
19	County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real property						
20	described 21060 Rider Street, Perris, Riverside County, Assessor's Parcel Number 318-171-027 and						
21	referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."						
22	Lisa Traczyk, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising Code						
23	Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.						
24	Owner did not appear.						
25	The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together						
26	with attached Exhibits, evidencing the substandard structure, excessive outside storage of materials						
27	and accumulation of rubbish on THE PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos.						

348 (Riverside County Code Title 17), 457 (Riverside County Code Title 15) and 541 (Riverside

## **SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE**

1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owners of THE PROPERTY as Bertram L. Burks and Sharon D. Burks ("OWNERS").

2. Documents of title indicate that no other party potentially holds a legal interest in THE PROPERTY.

3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on September 8, 2010, October 18, 2010, October 26, 2010, January 5, 2011, January 10, 2011, February 1, 2011, May 11, 2011 and May 23, 2011.

4. During each inspection, the substandard structure was observed on THE PROPERTY. The structure was observed to be abandoned, dilapidated and vacant. The structure contained numerous deficiencies, including but not limited to: hazardous wiring; member of ceiling, roofs, ceiling and roof supports or other horizontal members which sag, split, or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; general dilapidation: public and attractive nuisance; and rear conversion to habitable living space.

5. During each inspection an accumulation of rubbish and excess outside storage was also observed throughout THE PROPERTY consisting of but not limited to: discarded furniture, appliances, auto parts, scrap metal, plastic and household trash.

6. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Title 17), 457 (RCC Title 15) and 541 (RCC Title 8) by the Code Enforcement Officer.

7. On September 17, 2010, a Notice of Noncompliance was recorded at the Riverside County Recorder's Office as instrument numbers 2010-0447172.

8. On September 8, 2010, a Notice of Violation, Notice of Defects and "Danger-Do Not Enter" signs were posted on THE PROPERTY. On September 9, 2010, Notices of Violation and Notice of Defects were mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested to OWNERS. On November 3, 2010, Notices of Violation were mailed by certified mail return receipt requested to Keith Smith, a potential interested party.

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9. On May 10, 2011, a "Notice to Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors on May 24, 2011, was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNERS and was posted on THE PROPERTY on May 11, 2011.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on May 24, 2011, finds and concludes that:

- WHEREAS, the substandard structure, excessive outside storage of materials and 1. accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 21060 Rider Street, Perris, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 318-171-027 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348, (RCC Title 17), 457 (RCC Title 15) and 541 (RCC Title 8) and constitutes a public nuisance.
- 2. WHEREAS, the OWNERS, occupants and any person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY shall abate the substandard structure 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 OWNERS, occupants and any other person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY shall abate the accumulation of rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials by removing and disposing of all rubbish and excessive outside storage on THE PROPERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 within ninety (90) days.
- WHEREAS, the OWNERS ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTICED that the time 4. 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.

 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the substandard structure on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNERS, specifically Bertram L. Burks and Sharon D. Burks, 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 and disposed of 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 OWNERS are 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 and excessive outside storage of materials on THE PROPERTY be abated by OWNERS or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY by removing and disposing of all rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials on THE PROPERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Title 17) and 541 (RCC Title 8),

within ninety (90) days of the posting and mailing of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the accumulation of rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials is not removed and disposed of in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Title 17) and 541 (RCC Title 8) within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance, the accumulation of rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials may be abated and disposed of by representatives of the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department, a contractor or the Sheriff's Department upon receipt of an 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. 348 (RCC Title 17), 457 (RCC Title 15), 541 (RCC Title 8), and 725 (RCC Title 1). 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 OWNER even if THE PROPERTY is brought into compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

Dated:					
Datea.	_	_	 _		-

### COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

By Bob Buster
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

KECIA HARPER-IHEM

Clerk to the Board

By

Deputy

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