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





FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: November 10, 2011

Departmental Concurrence

**SUBJECT:** Order to Abate [Excessive Outside Storage & Accumulated Rubbish]

Case No.: CV10-03159 [TORRES]

Subject Property: 43823 "D" St., Hemet; APN: 549-161-025

District: Three

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

- The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV10-03159 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. CV10-03159; 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. CV10-03159.

PATRICIA MUNROE, Deputy County Counsel (Continued) for PAMELA J. WALLS, County Counsel In Current Year Budget: N/A \$ N/A Current F.Y. Total Cost: **FINANCIAL Budget Adjustment:** N/A **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** 

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 WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD Departments FILED Exec. Ofc.:

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**County Executive Office Signature** 

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

On November 1, 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 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.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010)
WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO:
Patricia Munroe, Deputy County Counsel County of Riverside
OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL 3960 Orange Street, Suite 500 (Stop #1350)
Riverside, CA 92501 [EXEMPT GC §§ 6103 and 27383]
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: ) CASE NO. CV 10-03159
[EXCESSIVE OUTSIDE STORAGE AND )
ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH]; APN 549-161-) FINDINGS OF FACT, 025, 43823 "D" STREET, HEMET, RIVERSIDE ) CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO
COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; THE ESTATE OF ) ABATE NUISANCE ) LUDIM TORRES, DECEDENT, OWNER. )
) R.C.O. Nos. 348, 541 and 725
)
The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on November 1, 2011, before the
Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor
Annex, County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real
property described as 43823 "D" Street, Hemet, Assessor's Parcel Number 549-161-025 and referred
to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."
Patricia Munroe, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising
Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.
Owner's representative did not appear.
The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together
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with attached Exhibits, evidencing the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of

a public nuisance.

## **SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE**

- 1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owner of THE PROPERTY as The Estate of Ludim Torres, Decedent ("OWNER").
- 2. Documents of title indicate that other parties may potentially hold a legal interest in THE PROPERTY, to wit: Accredited Home Lenders, Inc., MTC Financial, Inc. dba Trustee Corps, Wachovia Bank, NA, Lake Hemet Municipal Water District, Terry and Cindy Bratten ("INTERESTED PARTIES").
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on June 15, 2010, September 21, 2010, October 13, 2010, November 22, 2010, December 20, 2010, January 13, 2011, and October 4, 2011.
- 4. During each inspection an accumulation of rubbish and excess outside storage was observed throughout THE PROPERTY consisting of but not limited to: green woody waste, plastic barrels, tools, parts, tires, materials, hardware, furniture, machinery and scrap wood.
- 6. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 7. On October 20, 2010, Notice of Noncompliance was recorded at the Riverside County Recorder's Office as instrument number 2010-0502737.
- 8. On June 15, 2010, Notice of Violation was posted on THE PROPERTY. On June 16, 2010, Notice of Violation was mailed to OWNER and on October 21, 2010 was mailed to INTERESTED PARTIES.
- 9. A "Notice to Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors was mailed to OWNER and INTERESTED PARTIES and was posted on THE PROPERTY.

# FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on November 1, 2011 finds and concludes that:

1. WHEREAS, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 43823 "D" Street, Hemet, Riverside County, California, also identified as

Assessor's Parcel Number 549-161-025 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 and constitutes a public nuisance. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 348, due to the size of the parcel, no amount of outside storage of materials is allowed to be stored on THE PROPERTY. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 541, no amount of rubbish is allowed to be accumulated on THE PROPERTY.

- 2. WHEREAS, the OWNER, occupants or any person having possession or control of the premises shall abate the condition by removal of all outside storage of materials and removing and disposing of all accumulated rubbish from the subject real 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.
- 3. 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 <u>California Code of Civil Procedure</u> Section 1094.6.

#### ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNER, specifically The Estate of Ludim Torres, Decedent, or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by removing all of the outside storage of materials and removing and disposing of all accumulated rubbish from the subject real 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 of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the materials and rubbish are not removed and disposed of in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish 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 and 725. 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

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1	Department will be recoverable from the property owner(s) even if THE PROPERTY is brought into
2	compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.
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4	Dated: COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
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6	By Bob Buster
7	Chairman, Board of Supervisors
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9	ATTEST:
10	KECIA HARPER-IHEM
11	Clerk to the Board
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