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: July 16, 2013

Departmental Concurrence

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

Case No: CV 09-05820 [WARD]

Subject Property: 27854 Calle De Leon, Romoland; APN: 327-062-012

District: 5/5

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that:

- The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 09-05820 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 09-05820; 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 09-05820.

(Continued)		PATRICIA MUNROE, Deputy County Counsel for PAMELA J. WALLS, County Counsel		
	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Bud	
FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	
	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		
County Executive Office Signature		Tina Grande		
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Prev. Agn. Ref.: 05/21/13; 9.2

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BACKGROUND:

On May 21, 2013, 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 accumulated 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 Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate.

1	RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk to the			
2	Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010)			
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5	WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO: Patricia Munroe, Deputy County Counsel			
6	County of Riverside OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL			
7	3960 Orange Street, Suite 500 (Stop #1350) Riverside, CA 92501 [EXEMPT GC §§ 6103 and 27383]			
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9	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE			
10	COUNT OF REVENEED			
11	IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE:) CASE NO. CV 09-05820 [EXCESSIVE OUTSIDE STORAGE AND)			
12	ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH];) FINDINGS OF FACT, APN 327-062-012, 27854 CALLE DE LEON) CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO			
13	ROMOLAND, RIVERSIDE COUNTY,) ABATE NUISANCE CALIFORNIA; RICHARD WARD, OWNER.)			
14) R.C.O. Nos. 348, 541 and 725			
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16	The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on May 21, 2013, before the Board			
17	of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor Annex,			
18	County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real property			
19	described as 27854 Calle De Leon, Romoland, Riverside County, California and further described as			
20	Assessor's Parcel Number 327-062-012 and referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."			
21	Patricia Munroe, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Michelle Cervantes, Senior			
22	Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.			
23	Owner appeared and addressed the Board of Supervisors.			
24	The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together			
25	with attached Exhibits, evidencing the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of			
26	rubbish on THE PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 and as			
27	a public nuisance.			
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SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

- 1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owner of THE PROPERTY as Richard Ward, hereinafter referred to as "OWNER."
- 2. Documents of title indicate that other parties may potentially hold a legal interest in THE PROPERTY, to wit: Chapel Funding Corporation, Recontrust Company, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company C/O BAC Homes Loans Servicing, Ticor Title Company hereinafter collectively referred to as "INTERESTED PARTIES."
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on July 16, 2010, January 4, 2011, February 4, 2011, June 11, 2011, June 24, 2011, September 9, 2011, November 29, 2011, July 9, 2012, August 29, 2012, January 8, 2013, January 16, 2013, and May 17, 2013.
- 4. During each inspection, the outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish were observed on THE PROPERTY. The materials and rubbish were intermingled and included but were not limited to: scrap metal, tires, fencing and building materials, shipping containers, boxes, crates, dismantled bicycles, pallets and asphalt. Given the size of the parcel (1.07 acres) and the zoning classification (Rural Residential) two hundred (200) square feet of outside storage and no amount of rubbish is allowed on THE PROPERTY.
- THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance
 Nos. 348 and 541 by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 6. A Notice of Pendency of Administrative Proceeding was recorded on July 20, 2011, as Document Number 2011-031743 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- 7. On July 16, 2010, June 24, 2011, and July 9, 2012, Notices of Violation for violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 was posted on THE PROPERTY. On July 19, 2010 and June 27, 2011, Notice of Violation was mailed to OWNER and INTERESTED PARTIES by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 8. A "Notice to Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors scheduled for May 21, 2013, 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 May 21, 2013, finds and concludes that:

- 1. WHEREAS, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 27854 Calle De Leon, Romoland, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 327-062-012 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 and constitutes a public nuisance. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 348 and the zoning classification, two hundred (200) square feet 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 in excess of two hundred (200) square feet 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 IS 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 Richard Ward, or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by removing all of the outside storage of materials in excess of two hundred (200) square feet 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, 541, 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 John J. Benoit				
7	Chairman, Board of Supervisors				
8	ATTEST:				
9	KECIA HARPER-IHEM				
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