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

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County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

April 2**2**, 2010

**SUBJECT:** 

Order to Abate [Substandard Structures and Accumulation of Rubbish]

Case No.: CV 10-00334 (GONZALES)

Subject Property: 18050 Rice Road, Desert Center

APN: 810-020-001

District Four

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that

- (1) The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 10-00334 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 10-00334; 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 10-00334.

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-		JUNE A. JARV	I, Deputy Coun	ty Counsel	
		for AMELA J.			
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FINANCIAL	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustme	ent: N	V/A
DATA	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	<b>N</b>	<b>1</b> /A
SOURCE OF FU	NDS:			Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	
				Requires 4/5 Vote	
C.E.O. RECOMM	IENDATION:	APPROVE			
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County Executive Office Signature

#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Benoit and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley

Nays:

None

Kecia Harper-Ihem

Absent:

None

Clerk of the Board

Date:

May 18, 2010

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Agenda Number:

Order to Abate [Substandard Structures and Accumulation of Rubbish]

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

On April 6, 2010, 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 structures (dwelling, garage and agricultural building) and accumulation of 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 the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate.

2010-0231052 05/19/2010 08:00A Fee:NC Recorded in Official Records 1 RECORDING REQUESTED BY County of Riverside Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Larry W. Ward County Clerk & Recorder Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010) 3 4 COPY PAGE SIZE DA MISC LONG RFD 5 WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO: Julie A. Jarvi, Deputy County Counsel 6 EXAM PCOR NCOR NCHG M Α 465 426 SMF County of Riverside 7 OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL CTY Τ: 3960 Orange Street, Fifth Floor (Stop #1350) 8 Riverside, CA 92501 [EXEMPT'6103] 9 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** 10 **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE** 508 11 IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: CASE NO. CV 10-00334 12 **SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURES AND** ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH]; APN 810-020-) FINDINGS OF FACT, 13 001, 18050 RICE ROAD, DESERT CENTER, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; JAMES ABATE NUISANCE 14 GONZALES, OWNER. [R.C.O. Nos. 457 (RCC Title 15), 541 15 (RCC Title 8) and 725 (RCC Title 1)] The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on April 6, 2010, before the Board 16 of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor Annex, 17 County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real property 18 19 described 18050 Rice Road, Desert Center, Assessor's Parcel Number 810-020-001 and referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY." 20 21 Julie A. Jarvi, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department. 22 No one appeared on behalf of owner. 23 24 The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together with attached Exhibits, evidencing the substandard structures and accumulation of rubbish on THE 25 PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 (Riverside County Code Title 15) 26 27 and 541 (Riverside County Code Chapter 8.120), and as a public nuisance.

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

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#### SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

- Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owner of 1. THE PROPERTY as James Gonzales ("OWNER").
- Documents of title indicate that other parties potentially hold a legal interest in THE 2. PROPERTY, to-wit: Susan Feller, Esq., Internal Revenue Service, State of California Franchise Tax Board, Richard B. Beck, Esq., Canyon Lake Homeowners Association and the City of Riverside ("INTERESTED PARTIES").
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on January 14, 2010, March 15, 2010 and March 30, 2010.
- During each inspection, three substandard structures (dwelling, garage and agricultural building) were observed on THE PROPERTY. The structures were observed to be abandoned, dilapidated and vacant. The structures contained numerous deficiencies, including but not limited to: members of walls, partitions or other vertical supports that split, lean, list or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; members of ceilings, roofs, ceiling and roof supports or other horizontal members which sag, split or buckle due to defective material or deterioration; faulty weather protection; general dilapidation or improper maintenance and public and attractive nuisance.
- During each inspection an accumulation of rubbish was observed throughout THE PROPERTY consisting of but not limited to: over 100 tires, wood, household trash, metal poles, green waste, broken furniture, broken glass, broken windows, metal siding, metal drums, small appliances, a truck shell, clothes, swamp cooler, miscellaneous car parts, televisions, patio furniture, and other miscellaneous items.
- 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.
- A Notice of Noncompliance was recorded on January 28, 2010, as Document Number 2010-0039006 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- 8. On January 14, 2010, Notices of Violation, a "Danger Do Not Enter" and a "Do Not Dump" sign were posted on THE PROPERTY. On February 2, 2010, Notices of Violation for the substandard structures and accumulation of rubbish were mailed to OWNER and INTERESTED

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PARTIES by certified mail, return receipt requested.

On March 11, 2010, a "Notice to Abate Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors on April 6, 2010, was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNER and INTERESTED PARTIES and was posted on THE PROPERTY on March 15, 2010.

#### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on April 6, 2010, finds and concludes that:

- WHEREAS, the substandard structures (dwelling, garage and agricultural building) and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 18050 Rice Road, Desert Center, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 810-020-001 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 457 (RCC Chapter 15.12) 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 should abate the substandard structures condition by razing, removing and disposing of the substandard structures, including the removal and disposal of all structural debris and materials, and contents therein or by reconstruction and rehabilitation of said structures 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 should 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.
- WHEREAS, THE OWNER AND INTERESTED PARTIES ARE HEREBY 4. 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.

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#### ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the substandard structures (dwelling, garage and agricultural building) on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNER, James Gonzales, or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY, by razing and removing the substandard structures including the removal and disposal of all structural debris and materials, as well as the contents therein, or by reconstruction and rehabilitation of said structures 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 structures are 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 structures, contents therein, and structural debris and materials, shall 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 structures 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 shall be abated 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. 457 (RCC Chapter 15.12), 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



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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.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Chairman, Board of Supervisors





#### LARRY W. WARD **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE** ASSESSOR-COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

Recorder P.O. Box 751 Riverside, CA 92502-0751 (951) 486-7000

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#### CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code 27361.7, I certify under the penalty of perjury that the following is a true copy of illegible wording found in the attached document:

(Print or type the page number(s) and wording below):

CLARIFICATION OF THE SEAL for the Riverside County Board of Supervisors (embossed on document)



Date:

Signature:

Print Name:

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Karen Barton, Board Assistant, Riverside County Clerk of the Board



### **NOTICE LIST**

Subject Property: 18050 Rice Road, Desert Center Case No.: CV 10-00334 APN: 810-020-001; District 4

JAMES GONZALES 22210 VILLAGE WAY CANYON LAKE, CA 92587

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE PO BOX 145585 STOP 8420G CINCINATTI, OH 45250

STATE OF CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD PO BOX 2952 SACRANMENTO, CA 95812

RICHARD B. BECK, ESQ. LAW OFFICES OF BECK & GREER 31582 RAILROAD CANYON ROAD CANYON LAKE, CA 92587

CANYON LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION C/O FIORE, RACOBS & POWERS 6820 INDIANA AVE., STE. 250 RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

CITY OF RIVERSIDE GREG PRIAMOS, CITY ATTORNEY 3900 MAIN STREET, FIFTH FLOOR RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY
<ul> <li>Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.</li> <li>Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.</li> <li>Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.</li> <li>Article Addressed to:</li> </ul>	A. Signature  X
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PROOF OF SERVICE 1 Case No. CV 10-00334 2 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 3 I. Brenda Peeler, the undersigned, declare that I am a citizen of the United States and am employed in the County of Riverside, over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action or 4 proceeding; that my business address is 3535 Tenth Street, Suite 300, Riverside, California 92501-3674. 5 That on June 8, 2010, I served the following document(s): 6 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE 7 8 by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope(s) addressed as follows: **OWNERS OR INTERESTED PARTIES** 9 (SEE ATTACHED NOTICE LIST) 10 BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. I am "readily familiar" XXwith the office's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under 11 that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Riverside, California, in the ordinary course of business. 12 BY PERSONAL SERVICE: I caused to be delivered such envelope(s) by hand to the offices 13 of the addressee(s). 14 STATE - I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the XX15 above is true and correct. FEDERAL - I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at 16 whose direction the service was made. 17 EXECUTED ON June 8, 2010, at Riverside, California. 18 19 **BRENDA PEELER** 20 21 22 23 2.4 25

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#### Sode Enforcement Department **County Of Riverside** Thousand Palms District Office 31-290 Plantation Drive

Thousand Palms, California 92276 (760)343-4150 - Fax (760) 343-0882

John Boyd DIRECTÓR

### AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING OF NOTICES

Case No.: CV1000334

#### I, George Gianos , hereby declare:

1. I am employed by the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department; that my business address is:

> County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department 31290 Plantation Drive Thousand Palms, Ca. 92276

2. That on 06-10-10 10:30 am., I securely and conspicuously posted a Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate Nuisance, at the property described as:

Property Address: 18050 Rice Road, Desert Center

Assessor's Parcel Number: 810-020-001

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 06-10-10 at Thousand Palms, California.

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

G. Gianos, Senior Code Enforcement Officer