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





FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: 007 6, 2010

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

Case No: CV 08-09702 (LACROIX)

Subject Property: 1 Parcel North of 39565 Howard Road, Anza

APN: 572-280-012; District: 3

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

- 1. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 08-09702 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 08-09702; 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 08-09702.

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		L. ALEXANDRA 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	
County Exe	cutive Office Signature		BY: Tina Grande	Orde
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#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes:

Departmental Concurrence

Policy

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Consent

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Buster, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Date:

October 19, 2010

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Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: Deputy

Dep't Recomm.: Per Exec. Ofc.:

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District: 3

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

On August 31, 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 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.

10/26/2010 08:00A Fee:NC RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Page 1 of 6 Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk to the Recorded in Official Records County of Riverside 2 Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010) Larry W. Ward County Clerk & Recorder 3 4 5 WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO: R U PAGE SIZE DA LONG MISC RFD L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel 6 County of Riverside OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL **PCOR** 465 426 **NCOR** NCHO SMF 7 3960 Orange Street, Fifth Floor (Stop #1350) NCharce Riverside, CA 92501 8 9 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 10 11 CASE NO. CV 08-09702 IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: [EXCESSIVE OUTSIDE STORAGE AND 12 ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH]: FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO APN 572-280-012, ONE PARCEL NORTH OF ABATE NUISANCE 13 39565 HOWARD ROAD, ANZA, RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; LARRY LACROIX, 14 TRUSTEE OF THE LARRY LACROIX TRUST [R.C.O. Nos. 348 (RCC Chapter 17.16), 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) and 725 DATED 12/8/04, OWNER. 15 (RCC Title 1)] 16 The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on August 31, 2010, before the 17 Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor 18 Annex, County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real 19 property described as One Parcel North of 39565 Howard Road, Anza, Riverside County, California 20 and further described as Assessor's Parcel Number 572-280-012 and referred to hereinafter as "THE 21 PROPERTY." 22 L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising 23 Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department. 24 Owner, Larry La Croix, appeared but left before the matter was heard and did not address the 25

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FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

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The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together

Board of Supervisors. A member of the public, Mr. Robert Mabee, appeared and addressed the

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with attached Exhibits, evidencing the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on THE PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (Riverside County Code Chapter 17.16) and 541 (Riverside County Code Chapter 8.120) and as a public nuisance.

#### SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

- 1. Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owner of THE PROPERTY as Larry Lacroix, Trustee of the Larry Lacroix Trust Dated 12/8/04 ("OWNER").
- 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 June 30, 2009, August 13, 2009, January 14, 2010, March 5, 2010, May 12, 2010, and August 26, 2010.
- 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: metal, plastic, blocks, car parts, wood, seven sheds, and two truck mounted campers. The officer measured the amount of accumulated rubbish and excess outside storage of materials and determined it was twenty thousand five hundred (20,500) square feet. Given the size of the unimproved parcel (2.2 acres) and the zoning classification (R-R, Rural Residential), no amount of outside storage or rubbish is allowed on THE PROPERTY.
- 5. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Chapter 17.16) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 6. A Notice of Noncompliance was recorded on February 4, 2010 as Document Number 2010-0051612 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- 7. On June 30, 2009, Notices of Violation for violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 were posted on THE PROPERTY. On July 1, 2009 and January 21, 2010, Notice of Violations was mailed to OWNER.
- 8. On May 11, 2010, the "Notice To Correct County Ordinance Violations and Abate Public Nuisance" providing notice of the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors scheduled for August 31, 2010, was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNER and was

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posted on THE PROPERTY on May 12, 2010.

#### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on August 31, 2010, finds and concludes that:

- 1. WHEREAS, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at One Parcel North of 39565 Howard Road, Anza, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 572-280-012 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Chapter 17.16) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) and constitutes a public nuisance. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 348, due to the parcel being unimproved 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 (RCC Chapter 17.16) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) 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 Larry Lacroix, Trustee of the Larry Lacroix Trust Dated 12/8/04, 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 (RCC Chapter 17.16) and 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 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 (RCC Chapter 17.16) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish shall 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), 541 (RCC Title 8), 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 property

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FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE



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owner(s) even if THE PROPERTY is brought into compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

Dated: October 19, 2010

**COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE** 

By Marion Ashley

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

**KECIA HARPER-IHEM** 

Clerk to the Board

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

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

http://riverside.asrclkrec.com

#### **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:

10-19-10

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



### **NOTICE LIST**

Subject Property: 1 Parcel North of 39565 Howard Rd., Anza Case No.: CV 08-09702 APN: 572-280-012; District 3

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Riverside, CA 92501 3960 Orange Street, 5th Floor

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Originals filed with the Clerk of the Board: Agenda No. 2.13 of 10/19/10 on the Consent calendar. 1 PROOF OF SERVICE Case No. CV 08-09702 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 4 in the County of Riverside, over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action or proceeding; that my business address is 3960 Orange Street, 5th Floor, Riverside, California 92501-5 3674. 6 That on November 8, 2010, I served the following document(s): 7 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE 8 by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope(s) addressed as follows: 9 **OWNERS OR INTERESTED PARTIES** 10 (SEE ATTACHED NOTICE LIST) BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. I am "readily familiar" 11 XXwith the office's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with 12 postage thereon fully prepaid at Riverside, California, in the ordinary course of business. 13 BY PERSONAL SERVICE: I caused to be delivered such envelope(s) by hand to the offices of the addressee(s). 14 15 XX STATE - I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. 16 FEDERAL - I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made. 17 EXECUTED ON November 8, 2010, at Riverside. 18 Californ 19 20 BRENDA PEEI 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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# CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

GLENN BAUDE Director

#### AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING OF NOTICES

November 12, 2010

**RE CASE NO: CV0809702** 

I, Anita Bustillos, hereby declare:

I am employed by the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department; that my business address is 39493 Los Alamos Road, Suite #A, Murrieta, California 92563.

That on <u>11/12/2010</u> at <u>11:04 a.m.</u>, I securely and conspicuously posted Notice of Public Nuisance / Excessive Outside Storage and Accumulated Rubbish at the property described as:

Property Address: 1 PARCEL N OF 39565 HOWARD, ANZA

Assessor's Parcel Number: 572-280-012

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

Executed on November 12, 2010 in the County of Riverside, California.

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

Bv: Anita Bustillos, Code Enforcement Technician