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





FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: January 27, 2011

Departmental Concurrence

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

Case No: CV 09-10816 [BENITEZ]

Subject Property: 31980 Northwood Road, Desert Hot Springs:

APN: 750-170-032

District: Four

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that:

- The Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV 09-10816 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 09-10816; 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 09-10816.

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 Current F.Y. Net County Cost; \$ N/A **Budget Adjustment:** N/A DATA **Annual Net County Cost:** For Fiscal Year: N/A \$ N/A Positions To Be SOURCE OF FUNDS: **Deleted Per A-30** Requires 4/5 Vote C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

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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

County Executive Office Signature

Absent:

None

Date:

February 8, 2011

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Co.Co.(3); Recorder

Kecia Harper-Ihem Clerk of the Board

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BACKGROUND:

On January 11, 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 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.

DOC # 2011-0064011 02/09/2011 10:40A Fee:NC Page 1 of 6 Recorded in Official Records RECORDING REQUESTED BY: 1 County of Riverside Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk to the Larry W. Ward 2 Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010) County Clerk & Recorder 3 4 PAGE SIZE LONG RFD 0 WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO: M Α L L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel 465 426 PCOR NCOR SMF NCHG County of Riverside Dancita T: CTY UNI OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL 3960 Orange Street, Suite 500 (Stop #1350) Riverside, CA 92501 TEXEMPT'6103 8 9 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE** 10 11 IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: CASE NO. CV 09-10816 **IEXCESSIVE OUTSIDE STORAGE AND** 12 ACCUMULATED RUBBISHI. FINDINGS OF FACT. APN 750-170-032, 31980 NORTHWOOD ROAD, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO DESERT HOT SPRINGS, COUNTY OF 13 ABATE NUISANCE RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA; VICTOR) M. BENITEZ AND CYNTHIA P. BENITEZ, 14 [R.C.O. No. 348, RCC Chapter 17, OWNERS. R.C.O. No. 541, RCC Chapter 8.120] 15 16 17 The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on January 11, 2011, before the 18 Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor 19 Annex, County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real 20 property described as 31980 Northwood Road, Desert Hot Springs, Riverside County, California and 21 further described as Assessor's Parcel Number 750-170-032 and referred to hereinafter as "THE 22 PROPERTY." 23 L. Alexandra Fong, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Brian Black, Supervising 24 Code Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department. 25 No one appeared on behalf of Owners and did not address the Board of Supervisors. 26 The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together 27 with attached Exhibits, evidencing the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of 28

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

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rubbish on THE PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (Riverside County Code Chapter 17.144) and 541 (Riverside County Code Chapter 8.120) and as a public nuisance.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

- Documents of record in the Riverside County Recorder's Office identify the owners of 1. THE PROPERTY as Victor M. Benitez and Cynthia P. Benitez ("OWNERS").
- Documents of title indicate that other parties potentially hold a legal interest in THE 2. PROPERTY to wit: Recontrust Co., NA., BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, and GCFS, Inc. ("INTERESTED PARTIES).
- THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on October 6, 2009, 3. November 16, 2009, December 16, 2009, February 4, 2010, March 24, 2010, April 26, 2010, June 1, 2010. August 18, 2010. October 7, 2010, November 5, 2010, December 16, 2010 and January 10, 2011.
- During each inspection, the outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish 4. were observed on THE PROPERTY. The materials and rubbish were intermingled and included but were not limited to: household trash, tires, furniture, appliances, scrap wood, plastic and miscellaneous trash and debris. The officer visually estimated the amount of accumulated rubbish and excess outside storage of materials was approximately four thousand five hundred (4,500) square feet. Given the size of the unimproved parcel (4.29 acres) and the zoning classification (W-2, Controlled Development), it allows the amount of outside storage to be two hundred (200) square feet for properties that are a minimum of one acre in size and no accumulation of rubbish is allowed on THE PROPERTY.
- 5. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Chapter 17.144) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- A Notice of Noncompliance was recorded on December 3, 2009, as Document Number 2009-0622647 in the Office of the County Recorder, County of Riverside.
- On October 6, 2009, Notices of Violation for violation of Riverside County Ordinance 7. Nos. 348 and 541 were posted on THE PROPERTY. On October 8, 2009, Notices of Violation

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were mailed to OWNERS via certified mail with return receipt requested. On August 20, 2010, Notices of Violation were mailed to OWNERS and INTERESTED PARTIES by certified mail with return receipt requested. On October 8, 2010 and October 20, 2010, Notices of Violation were mailed to OWNERS by certified mail with return receipt requested.

8. On December 14, 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 January 11, 2011, was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to OWNERS and INTERESTED PARTIES and was posted on THE PROPERTY on December 16, 2010.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

WHEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on January 11, 2011, finds and concludes that:

- 1. WHEREAS, the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 31980 Northwood Road, Desert Hot Springs, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 750-170-032 violates Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 (RCC Chapter 17.144) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) and constitutes a public nuisance. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 348, the parcel being unimproved is allowed only an amount of outside storage of materials to be two hundred (200) square feet for a minimum of one acre in size. Under Riverside County Ordinance No. 541, no amount of rubbish is allowed to be accumulated on THE PROPERTY.
- 2. WHEREAS, the OWNERS, INTERESTED PARTIES, 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 17.144) and 541 (RCC Chapter 8.120) within ninety (90) days.
- 3. WHEREAS, the OWNERS 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,

Section 1094.6.

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ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE

Conclusions and Order To Abate Nuisance, and is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the excess outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on THE PROPERTY be abated by the OWNERS, specifically Victor M. Benitez, Cynthia P. Benitez, 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 17.144) 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 17.144) 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 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), 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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1	owner(s) even if THE PROPERTY is brought into compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of	
2	this Order to Abate Nuisance.	
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6	By <u>Justice</u> Bob Buster Chairman, Board of Supervisors	
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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)



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GFS INC C/O MICHAEL W ROBERTS ESQ 4301 SECONDWIND WAY PO BOX 3410 PASO ROBLES CA 92447

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PROOF OF SERVICE 1 Case No. CV09-10816 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 3960 Orange Street, Suite 500, Riverside, California 92501-5 3674. That on March 15, 2011, I served the following document(s): 6 FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE 7 by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope(s) addressed as follows: 8 OWNERS OR INTERESTED PARTIES 9 (SEE ATTACHED NOTICE LIST) 10 XXBY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. I am "readily familiar" with 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 XXabove is true and correct. 15 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 March 15, 2011, at Riverside, California. 18 19 BRENDA PEELER 2.0 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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Originals filed with the Clerk of the Board: Agenda No. 2.17 of 2/8/11 on the Consent calendar,



CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

GLENN BAUDE Director

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING OF NOTICES

March 21, 2011

RE CASE NO: CV0910816

I, Rusty Hannah, hereby declare:

I am employed by the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department; that my business address is 31-290 Plantation Drive, Thousand Palms, California 92276.

That on <u>03/21/2011</u> at <u>1:20 pm</u>, I securely and conspicuously posted Findings of fact, conclusions and order to abate nuisance at the property described as:

Property Address: 31980 NORTHWOOD RD, INDIO HILLS

Assessor's Parcel Number: 750-170-032

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

Executed on March 21, 2011 in the County of Riverside, California.

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

By: Rusty Hannah, Code Enforcement Officer