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





FROM: County Counsel/TLMA

Code Enforcement Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: June 9, 2016

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

Case No. CV13-01887 [ESTATE OF JEFFREY SCOTT JOHNSON]

Subject Property: 25874 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Hemet

APN: 549-173-022 District: 3 [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV13-01887;

2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV13-01887; and

3. Authorize the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to record the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate in Case No. CV13-01887.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Summary

Departmental Concurrence

On May 17, 2016, this Board received the declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer in the above referenced matter and declared the excessive 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 (Continued)

> REGORY P. PRIAMOS County Counsel

			For Fiscal Year:			
SOURCE OF FUNDS:				Budget Adjust	Budget Adjustment:	
NET COUNTY COST	\$	\$	\$	\$	Consent to 1 oney =	
COST	\$	\$	\$	\$	Consent ₩ Policy □	
FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec Office)	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

**County Executive Office Signature** 

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Aves:

Change Order

Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Benoit and Ashley None

Navs: Absent:

None

Date:

June 21, 2016

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Co.CO./TLMA-Code Enf., Recorder

□ Prev. Agn. Ref.: 05/17/16; 9.1 District: 3 Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board

Kecia Harper-Ihem

4/5 Vote

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

## **Summary (continued)**

conditions on the property and directed County Counsel to prepare Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order to Abate.

## Impact on Citizens and Businesses

When property owners abate nuisances on their property, the surrounding neighborhood's safety, attractiveness and land values are potentially increased.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL:

## **Additional Fiscal Information**

N/A

# **Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

N/A

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Findings of Fact

1 2 3 4	RECORDING REQUESTED BY: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (Stop #1010)  2016-0262693  06/27/2016 03:37 PM  ***Customer Copy Label***  The paper to which this label is affixed has not been compared with the filed/recorded document  Peter Aldana County Of Riverside Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder				
5	WHEN RECORDED PLEASE MAIL TO:				
6	Michelle Cervantes, Senior Code Enforcement Officer Regina Keyes, Senior Code Enforcement Officer				
7   8	CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT 4080 Lemon Street, Twelfth Floor (Stop #1012) Riverside, CA 92501  [EXEMPT GC §§ 6103 and 27383]				
9	Riverside, CA 92301 [EAEWII 1 GC 98 0103 and 27305]				
10	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE				
11	COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE				
12	IN RE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCE: ) CASE NO. CV 13-01887 [EXCESSIVE OUTSIDE STORAGE AND )				
13	ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH]; ) FINDINGS OF FACT, APN 549-173-022, 25874 2 <sup>nd</sup> STREET, HEMET, ) CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO				
14	RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA; ESTATE ) ABATE NUISANCE OF JEFFREY SCOTT JOHNSON, OWNER.				
15	) R.C.O. Nos. 348, 541 and 725				
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17	The above-captioned matter came on regularly for hearing on May 17, 2016, before the Board				
18	of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California in the Board Room, First Floor Annex,				
19	County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California regarding the real property				
20	described as 25874 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Hemet, Riverside County, Assessor's Parcel Number 549-173-022 and				
21	referred to hereinafter as "THE PROPERTY."				
22	Sophia Choi, Deputy County Counsel, appeared along with Michelle Cervantes, Senior Code				
23	Enforcement Officer, on behalf of the Director of the Code Enforcement Department.				
24	No one appeared on behalf of owner.				
25	The Board of Supervisors received the Declaration of the Code Enforcement Officer together				
26	with attached Exhibits, evidencing the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of				
27	rubbish on THE PROPERTY as violations of Riverside County Ordinance ("RCO") Nos. 348 and				
28	541 and as a public nuisance.				

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS AND ORDER TO ABATE 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 Estate of Jeffrey Scott Johnson ("OWNER").
- 2. Documents of title indicate that other parties appear to potentially hold a legal interest in THE PROPERTY, to wit: The Alton R. and Margie L. Morse Revocable Trust #30526 dated August 9, 1991, Helen Maxwell, Internal Revenue Service, Lake Hemet Municipal Water District, State of California Franchise Tax Board (hereinafter referred to as "INTERESTED PARTIES").
- 3. THE PROPERTY was inspected by Code Enforcement Officers on July 9, 2013 and on ten (10) subsequent follow up inspections, with the last being May 10, 2016.
- 4. During each inspection an accumulation of rubbish and excess outside storage was observed throughout THE PROPERTY consisting of but not limited to: green waste, televisions, scrap wood, metal, plastic 55 gallon drums, ice chests, cardboard boxes, plastic trash bags, lattice, ladder, fire pit, vehicle seats, metal tool boxes, plastic crates, vacuums, book shelves, gas cans, hand truck, plastic tubs, trash cans, used tires, bicycles, yard tools, children's toys, lawn mowers, bedroom set, broken patio chairs, roofing materials, trash and debris, and miscellaneous items, of about 1,425 square feet.
- 5. THE PROPERTY was determined to be in violation of Riverside County Ordinance Nos. 348 and 541 by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- 6. On October 23, 2014, a Notice of Pendency of Administrative Proceedings was recorded at the Riverside County Recorder's Office as instrument number 2014-0402738.
- 7. On July 9, 2013, a Notice of Violation was posted on THE PROPERTY. On July 10, 2013, a Notice of Violation was mailed to OWNER by first class mail.
- 8. On February 17, 2015, a Notice of Violation was mailed to OWNER and INTERESTED PARTY Helen Maxwell by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 9. On June 22, 2015, a Notice of Violation was mailed to INTERESTED PARTIES State of California Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, and Lake Hemet Municipal Water District, by certified mail, return receipt requested.
  - 10. 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 May 17, 2016, finds and concludes that:

- 1. WHEREAS, the excessive outside storage of materials and accumulation of rubbish on the real property located at 25874 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Hemet, Riverside County, California, also identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 549-173-022 violates RCO Nos. 348 and 541 and constitutes a public nuisance.
- 2. WHEREAS, the OWNER, occupants and any other person having possession or control of THE PROPERTY shall abate the accumulation of rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials by removing and disposing of all rubbish and excessive outside storage on THE PROPERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to RCO 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 California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6.

## **ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE**

IT IS ORDERED that the accumulation of rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials on THE PROPERTY be abated by OWNER or anyone having possession or control of THE PROPERTY by removing and disposing of all rubbish and excessive outside storage of materials on THE PROPERTY in strict accordance with all Riverside County Ordinances, including but not limited to RCO Nos. 348 and 541, within ninety (90) days of the posting and mailing of this Order to Abate Nuisance.

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

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1	even if THE PROPERTY is brought into compliance within ninety (90) days of the date of this
2	Order to Abate Nuisance.
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4	Dated:June_21, 2016 COUNTX OF RIVERSIDE
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6	By John J. Beneit
7	Chairman, Board of Supervisors
8	ATTEST:
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10	Clerk to the Board
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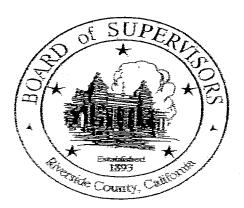
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# CERTIFICATION

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:

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

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