



**MINUTES**  
**BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION**  
**Monday, December 9, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall, 101 E. Main Street, Forney, Texas 75126**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Director Peter Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Jayme Hernandez, Joe Ferguson, Sandra Carrasco, Randol Klein and Ryan Childress. Commissioners Mark Houston and Rickey Newsom were absent. Also present were Director of Community Development Peter Morgan, Chief Building Official Shannon Stevens, Neighborhood Specialist Michelle Hodge, and Commission Secretary Gladis Saldana.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

1. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 536 N. Bois D'Arc Street (Sowell, Block 3, Lot 2) in the City of Forney, Texas.

Director Morgan introduce the item and allowed Mr. Stevens to elaborate on findings at the time of the inspection. Mr. Stevens explained that the structure had major foundation issues and advised that the carport on the property was unstable. Staff recommended to demolish the main structure and carport. No one spoke during public comment. The commission inquired on how property owners were notified and if the staff had heard from the property owner. Following discussion, Mr. Childress made a motion to have main structure and carport demolished within thirty days. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

2. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 408 Broad Street (Forney Original, Block 29, Lots 7 & 8) in the

Director Morgan introduce the item and allowed Mr. Stevens to elaborate on findings at the time of the inspection. Mr. Stevens explained that the structure had foundation issues and was causing the roof to sag and cracks along the exterior wall. Mr. Stevens also stated that the currently had electricity. Staff recommended to demolish the structure. No one spoke during public comment. Following discussion, Mr. Childress made a motion to have main structured and carport demolished within thirty days. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4 ayes (Ferguson, Hernandez, Klein, Childress) and 1 nays (Carrasco).

3. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 405Broad Street (Forney Original, Block 38, Lots 3-1 & 4-1) in the City of Forney.

Director Morgan introduce the item and allowed Mr. Stevens to elaborate on findings at the time of the inspection. Mr. Stevens explained that this property had previously been before the board and that the structure was only partially secured. Staff recommended to demolish the structure. No one spoke during public comment. Following discussion, Mr. Ferguson made a motion to have main structure demolished. Mr. Childress seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

4. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 401 Aimee Street (Forney Original Block 29, Lot 20 & 21 & 22) in the City of Forney.

Director Morgan introduce the item and allowed Mr. Stevens to elaborate on findings at the time of the inspection. Mr. Stevens explained that this property had received some foundation repairs without a permit and that staff did receive an engineer's report that morning. Staff recommended demolition or repair of the property. No one spoke during public comment. Following discussion, Ms. Carrasco made a motion to have the structure repaired with the appropriate permits pulled. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nay.

5. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 107 E. Street (Forney Original Block 10, Lot 4-1) in the City of Forney.

Director Morgan introduced the item and stated that he was contacted by the property owner. He explained that she recently became the owner of the property and agreed with the need for demo. Property owner requested to have until October to demolish the structure. Mr. Stevens stated that based on his exterior inspection the structure was unsafe and unrepairable. Mr. Stevens recommended for the structure to be repaired with in a timely manner. During public comment Jason Thompson spoke in favor of the request and requested for 60 days to complete the siding, shingles and secure the back door to the house. Following discussion, Mr. Childress made a motion to secure a building permit within 30 days and complete repairs within 60days. Ms. Carrasco seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nay.

6. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 306 Austin Street (Conner Block 8 Pt.) in the City of Forney.

Director Morgan introduced the item and stated that this property had been before the board and was not repaired as requested. Mr. Stevens recommended for the structure to be demolished. No one spoke during public comment. Mr. Ferguson made a motion to demolish the property and Mr. Childress seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

7. Hold a public hearing and discuss and consider the abatement of a substandard structure located at 114 W Shands Street (Forney Revised, Block B, Lot 23 Pt.)

Director Morgan introduced the item and allowed Mr. Stevens to explain the findings at the time of the inspections. Mr. Stevens stated that upon his inspection the roof rafters were sagging and the foundation was sinking. Staff recommended for the structure to be

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demolished. Mr. Childress made a motion to allow the property owner to repair the structure within 30 days. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nay.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to bring before the board, Peter Morgan adjourned from public hearing and close the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.**

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**Chair**

**ATTEST:**

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**Gladis Saldana, City of Forney**