Vacant Property Review Commission
Appeal Hearing

May 10, 2022
10:00 am

Meeting Agenda

1. Explanation of Hearing Process

2. Property Hearings
   1. 179 Eddie St. (Emergency Management Inc.) Page 3
   2. 245 Race St. (Robert G. Hodge Jr.) Page 4
   3. 397 Roosevelt Blvd. (Boris Lee Minnifield) Page 5
   4. 553 Shelby St. (George W. Edwards &
      Linda G. Edwards Estate) Page 6
   5. 557 Folkstone Dr. (Tyrone Sturdivant) Page 7
   6. 707 Brooks Ave. (Cecil Ann Alford Estate
c/o Johnie Alford) Page 8
   7. 1657 Maywick View Ln. (Joseph Shamieh) Page 9
   8. 1665 Maywick View Ln. (Joseph Shamieh) Page 10
   9. 2032 Heather Way (William Franke) Page 11

3. Other Business
Background Information

In December 2021, the Vacant Property Review Commission certified a list of properties which meet the criteria to be considered “abandoned urban property”. Properties which meet these criteria are subject to an additional property tax.

The purpose of the Vacant Property Review Commission appeal hearing is to give property owners the opportunity to contest this determination by demonstrating that their property does not meet the following criteria:

The property has been vacant or unimproved for a period of at least one year, and:

1. Because it is dilapidated, unsanitary, unsafe, vermin infested, or otherwise dangerous to the safety of persons, it is unfit for its intended use; or

2. By reason of neglect or lack of maintenance has become a place for the accumulation of trash and debris, or has become infested with rodents or other vermin.

Hearing Process

The hearing for each property will consist of:

**Staff Presentation (Approximately 5 minutes):** Staff will review Code Enforcement information, inspection information, reports to the city of abandoned properties, and other applicable information regarding the property.

**Owner Presentation (Approximately 5 Minutes):** Property owners, or their representatives, will be given an opportunity to present testimony and evidence that their property does not meet the criteria to be classified as “abandoned urban property”.

**Questions and Discussion:** The Commission will ask questions of staff and the owners and representatives in order to determine if the property meets the criteria for “abandoned urban property”.

Hearing Decision

The Commission may choose to uphold the determination that the property meets the criteria, or decide that it does not meet the criteria.

The property owner will be notified of the decision by Certified Mail.