MINUTES OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
October 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor DeFever at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Lance DeFever Mayor
Paul Searl Commissioner
Brian Doughty Commissioner
Jimmy Keough Commissioner
Jimmy Reed Commissioner

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Shane Stokes City Manager
Barbara Stucker City Secretary
Bryan Guymon City Attorney
Dustin Miller Assistant City Manager
Theresa Daniels Finance Director
Lance Richburg Chief of Police
Gary Turfey Public Works Director
Ben Ponce Community Services Director
Kevin Webb Information Technology
Dax Scott Information Technology
Leroy Cox Deputy Fire Chief
Jason Roberts Fire Marshal
Jasmine Chaney Assistant Finance Director
Troy Schwiegerath Emergency Management
Jeff Kennedy Code Enforcement Officer
Cary Rushing Building Official
Kirk Reed Code Enforcement Officer

VISITORS: Jamisen Hancock Peggi C. Miller
Jason Bagwell Clay Rice
Cortnie Patterson

NEWS MEDIA: None

INVOCATION: Jamisen Hancock, Commission Chaplain

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Jason Bagwell, 2544 Perryton Pkwy, expressed his concerns with the existing ordinance regarding high weeds and grass in Pampa. He would like to head a task force to review older ordinances that he feels are in need of update.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 811 N. West, a substandard structure.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:03 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has stated that the structure is neither secure nor salvageable. Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Keough to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:04 p.m.

1. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding the substandard structure located at 811 N. West.

23-139
A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City's Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 1037 S. Banks.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:05 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, reported that the property has consistently violated property regulations. Code Enforcement has conducted two full cleanups, and the property has been without utilities since 2018. Therefore, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-140

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Searl to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:07 p.m.

2. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding the substandard structure at 1037 S. Banks.

23-141

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Keough to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City's Substandard Structure Order for the address of 1037 S. Banks. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 425 N. Wynne.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:07 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has classified the structure as hazardous. Violations on this property extend beyond just the structure; they encompass the entire property. As a result, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-142

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Reed to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:09 p.m.

3. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding the substandard structure at 425 N. Wynne.

23-143

A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City's Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 1105 S. Christy.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:11 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, emphasizes that this property has been an ongoing issue. It lacks a proper floor, and there are significant roof defects with holes. Moreover, there are no records indicating the presence of utilities at this structure. In light of these concerns, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.
23-144

A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Searl to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:12 p.m.

4. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure located at 1105 S. Christy.

23-145

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Keough to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City’s Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 507 N. Cuyler.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:13 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has been monitoring this property for the past five years. It is worth noting that there are no utilities present, and the condition of the property has deteriorated significantly over time, with a buckling floor and leaning walls. In light of these ongoing issues, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-146

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:14 p.m.

5. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure at 507 N. Cuyler.

23-147

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City’s Substandard Structure Order for 507 N. Cuyler. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

PUBLIC HEARING: The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 509-511 N. Cuyler.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:15 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has been tracking this structure for numerous years. Since 2011, it has been without utilities, and its overall security is compromised. Therefore, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-148

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Keough to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:16 p.m.

6. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure at 509-511 N. Cuyler.

23-149
A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City's Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 513 N. Cuyler.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:17 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has identified multiple violations associated with this structure. Despite attempts to reach out to the owners, no successful resolution has been reached. Furthermore, the structure is currently unsecured. As a result, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-150

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Keough to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public hearing closed at 4:18 p.m.

7. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure 513 N. Cuyler.

23-151

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Searl to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 for 513 N. Cuyler according to the City's Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 609 N. Cuyler.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:19 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, reported that he was unable to safely access the inside of the structure. Due to safety concerns, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-152

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Searl to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:20 p.m.

8. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure located at 609 N. Cuyler.

23-153

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Reed to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 according to the City's Substandard Structure Order for 609 N. Cuyler. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** The City Commission held a public hearing regarding property located at 617 N. Cuyler.

Mayor DeFever opened the Public Hearing at 4:21 p.m.

Jeff Kennedy, Code Enforcement Officer, has reported that this structure has experienced multiple fires and is now considered hazardous. Consequently, Code Enforcement recommends demolition.

23-154
A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Keough to close the public hearing. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

Public Hearing closed at 4:23 p.m.

9. Consider, act, and issue any necessary order regarding substandard structure located at 617 N. Cuyler.

23-155

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Searl to issue items 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 19 & 20 for 617 N. Cuyler according to the City’s Substandard Structure Order. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

10. Consider approving the minutes of the September 25, 2023, regular commission meeting.

23-156

A motion was made Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2023, regular commission meeting as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Commission convened into closed session at 4:25 p.m. in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074 – Personnel Matters, to discuss EDC Board Appointments/Reappointments.

RECONVENE: The City Commission reconvene into open session at 4:50 p.m. with the following action taken:

23-157

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Searl to reappoint Emily Arrington, Ted Hutto, Sue Fatheree, and Jason Bagwell to the Pampa EDC Board. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

ADJOURNED:

With no further items remaining on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m. by Mayor DeFever.

Barbara Stucker, City Secretary  Lance DeFever, Mayor