



MINUTES
Committee on Public Safety
Tuesday, March 26, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room, 10th Floor City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Kost called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm

PRESENT

Council Member Ryan Kost, Chair
Council Member Trini Pehlivanoglu, Vice Chair
Council Member Peter Spadafore, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA
Walter Allen, Code Compliance
Nick Montry, EDP
Tim LaPlante, SIMTOB
Covic Milivole
Rawley Van Fossen
Nancy Mahlow

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER PEHLIVANOGLU TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 13, 2024 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment on the time.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

RESOLUTION- Orders to Make Safe or Demolish 3301 Turner Street

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER PEHLIVANOGLU TO REMOVE THE TOPIC FROM THE TABLE.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Mr. Van Fossen explained they have a rough plumbing approved, all electrical approved, and there is a \$130 balance that needs to be paid. This shows to Code they owner is making progress.

Mr. Milivole stated there is a scheduled building inspection on April 9, 2024.

Council Member Kost asked for a timeline to complete. Mr. Milivole stated he promises July.

Council Member Pehlivanoglu asked for a definition on the rough inspection. Mr. Allen stated rough is the beginning of the process of each trade before it gets covered up.

Council Member Kost asked if this is a 30 or 60 day. Mr. Allen stated it was fire damaged. Council Member Kost referenced the resolution which stated 30 days.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER PEHLIVANOGLU TO TABLE UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING APRIL 9, 2024. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION –Make Safe or Demolish; 1519 Linval Street

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER PEHLIVANOGLU TO REMOVE THE TOPIC FROM THE TABLE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Mr. Van Fossen confirmed a building permit was pulled on March 19th, and the previous permit was pulled under his father and they have a new license holder. Mechanical permits have been pulled and they believe they are taking strides, so recommend table until the next meeting.

Mr. Allen stated this was also a fire damaged property, so it would 30 day make safe.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORÉ TO TABLE UNTIL APRIL 9, 2024. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Pending Topics

City Attorney Updates on Parking Ordinance-Ms. Hagen-Lawrence stated there is no update at this time.

Economic Development & Planning Department Updates –

- SIMTOB –

Mr. Van Fossen stated they are taking progress; two properties have gotten inspections, and referenced the list submitted. Council Member Pehlivanoglu asked about the earlier statement at a meeting for occupancy for May 1st. Mr. Van Fossen for Holmes they need final inspections that need to occur, then they can have a rental inspection. He then noted that overall 222 W Holmes and 1421 W Kalamazoo are the only two out of the 49 that EDP considers not compliant. There are seven in the renewal phase and the remainder are in compliance as of yesterday and have a valid rental certificate.

Council Member Kost asked about external lighting on 1330 W Kalamazoo. Mr. LaPlante stated that is on the list of items, and has been working with Code Compliance officer. He is aware of the deficiency list and the lighting is on that list. They also have a plan to install cameras. Mr. LaPlante confirmed he has had a conversation with their electrical contractor Dave Miller to help them trouble shoot the issues and cameras in that area.

- List of Open ACTION Letters

Mr. VanFossen was not sure of the details of what they are asking for. Council Member Kost stated issues they hear about code violations that have open letter properties in the system where it notes this should have been resolved. The list would provide Council information when they get inquiries they can confirm if the database is not updated, or an open letter is that there is still an issue. Mr. Van Fossen stated he would start with his staff on compiling.

- Progress on Dormant Properties

Mr. Van Fossen referenced the list; active in make safe or demolish in the process. If it is not on the list it has been complied with.

Council Member Kost asked about the jump in red tags. Mr. Van Fossen acknowledged that there has been an increase with Autumn Ridge (130) and Sycamore Town Homes, totaling a 250+ jump.

- Fee Study Update

Mr. Van Fossen the study was looked at with planning, zoning, code and building safety. There are some proposed fee changes in the budget that was just presented to Council. The next step is to get draft in a format to share with council and general public. Then after that potential

policy changes in the future. He assured them he would address them in the budget presentation.

Ms. Mahlow asked about a parking issue specific to N. Fairview, N Clemens, Jerome and Vine. Neighborhood dealing with fighting, urinating in public, ignoring signs that are posted. Asking for TCO for tow away signs. Want council assistance in having business owners get additional security. Council Member Kost recapped in 2023 this same discussion came up and they asked for additional no parking signs made and installed. Mr. Van Fossen stated was asked to inquire into the status of the earlier request for no parking signs and towing. Mr. Van Fossen stated he would follow up with Hal King on any updates.

ADJOURN

Adjourned 4:22 p.m.

Submitted by

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on April 9, 2024