



MINUTES

Code Enforcement Board Meeting

City Council Chambers – 625 Swift Blvd

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 ~ 7:00 p.m.

This document is a summarized version of the Code Enforcement Board proceedings. The minutes are paraphrased, not verbatim. Access to an electronic audio recording of the meeting is available upon request.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair **White** called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Skye White, Chair
Ragan Faylor, Vice Chair
Albert Edmondson, Member
Jeff Huber, Member
Tamara Wright Chavez, Member

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement Officer
Jamie Williams, Code Enforcement Officer
Shawn Swanson, Sergeant
Bunnie Avery, Staff Liaison
Theresa Richardson, City Council Liaison

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Member **Edmondson** made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 meeting agenda. Vice Chair **Faylor** seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Vice Chair **Faylor** made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 meeting of the Code Enforcement Board as presented. Member **Edmondson** seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

COMPLIANCE HEARINGS / ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Chair **White** began the hearing process by administering the oaths to all City staff, defendants and witnesses that will be participating in the hearings and called the first case to be heard.

3. 20221430

Location of Violations:
Mailing Address:
Description of Violations:

Sikh Society of Tri Cities

Parcel Number 132981000002011, Richland, WA 99352
1903 Jadwin Avenue, Richland, WA 99354
RMC 12.16.010 Keeping sidewalks and rights of way clean and maintained, **RMC 10.040.040(P)** Grass and Weeds, **RMC 10.04.040(N)** Blocking Fire Hydrant.

Notice of Civil Violation Issued: December 19, 2022

CASE REPORT: Jamie Williams, Code Enforcement Officer, presented the facts of the case and responded to questions from the Code Enforcement Board. A representative of the Sikh Society was not present.

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has not been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$250 for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1). For compliance to be met move and maintain a twenty-foot fire break around the perimeter of Parcel #132981000002011 (including the Ava Way, Malbec Ave., Corvina St., and Bellevue Ave. sides of the property) in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the roadways of obstructing vegetation so the roadway surrounding Parcel #132981000002011 is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the vegetation around all fire hydrants on the Parcel so the three-foot radius surrounding each fire hydrant is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by February 12, 2023, the city may proceed with abatement.

CODE BOARD DECISION: Member **Edmondson** motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City's Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of **\$250** for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation. For compliance to be met move and maintain a twenty-foot fire break around the perimeter of Parcel #132981000002011 (including the Ava Way, Malbec Ave., Corvina St., and Bellevue Ave. sides of the property) in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the roadways of obstructing vegetation so the roadway surrounding Parcel #132981000002011 is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the vegetation around all fire hydrants on the Parcel so the three-foot radius surrounding each fire hydrant is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by February 12, 2023, the city may proceed with abatement. Vice Chair **Faylor** seconded the motion. Motion failed 0-4-1.

Member **Edmondson** motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City's Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of **\$500** for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation. For compliance to be met move and maintain a twenty-foot fire break around the perimeter of Parcel #132981000002011 (including the Ava Way, Malbec Ave., Corvina St., and Bellevue Ave. sides of the property) in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the roadways of obstructing vegetation so the roadway surrounding Parcel #132981000002011 is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Clear the vegetation around all fire hydrants on the Parcel so the three-foot radius surrounding each fire hydrant is free from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by February 12, 2023, the city may proceed with abatement. Member **Wright Chavez** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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| 4. 20220140 | Scot & Tyler LLC |
| Location of Violations: | 3094 Bruce Lee Lane, Richland, WA 99352 |
| Mailing Address: | 2453 Morency Drive, Richland, WA 99352 |
| Description of Violations: | RMC 23.18.030 Residential use districts permitted land uses;
RMC 23.38.020(G) Storage Containers |
| Notice of Civil Violation Issued: December 19, 2022 | |

CASE REPORT: Jamie Williams, Code Enforcement Officer, presented the facts of the case and responded to questions from the Code Enforcement Board. Mr. Tyler Kafentzis presented his case and answered questions from the Code Enforcement Board.

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has not been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$250 for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1). For compliance to be met remove the unauthorized storage and bring the site into conformance with the zoning regulations contained within the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by February 13, 2023, the city may proceed with abatement.

CODE BOARD DECISION: Member **Huber** motioned to find the respondent in violation of the Richland Municipal Code as cited in the Notice of Civil Violation. Vice Chair **Faylor** seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Member **Huber** motioned to impose a monetary penalty in the amount of **\$500** for the Notice of Civil Violation. For compliance to be met remove the unauthorized storage and bring the site into conformance

with the zoning regulations contained within the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by January 31, 2023, the city may proceed with abatement. Vice Chair **Faylor** seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0-1.

EXECUTION OF ORDERS:

Chair **White** requested that the City please hand up the Orders from tonight's hearings for execution.

CONTINUED CASES / OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW / OTHER BUSINESS:

5. Code Cases Accruing Monthly Penalties

Code Officer Dorko advised that all cases on the status report accruing monthly fines will be closed this month. A new case will be opened for those not in compliance.

6. Meeting Start Time

Member Huber motioned to change the meeting start time to 6:00 p.m. Vice Chair Faylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Sergeant Swanson advised that next month's meeting is canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2023.

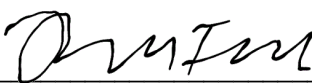
ADJOURNMENT:

Chair **White** adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

APPROVED this 14th day of March 2023.



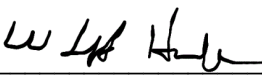
SKYE WHITE, Chairman



RAGAN FAYLOR, Vice-Chairman



ALBERT EDMONDSON, Member

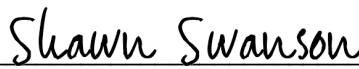


W. JEFF HUBER, Member



TAMARA WRIGHT CHAVEZ, Member

ATTEST:



SHAWN SWANSON, SERGEANT