



MINUTES

Code Enforcement Board Meeting
City Council Chambers – 625 Swift Blvd
Tuesday, October 8, 2024 ~ 6:00 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 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Skye White, Chair
Ragan Faylor, Vice Chair
Eric Bostrom, Member
Todd Samuel, Member
Jenna Coddington, Member

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Jamie Williams, Code Enforcement Officer
Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement Officer
Heidi Glasen, Code Enforcement Officer
Kurt Maier, Council Liaison
Nick Mutrux, Staff Liaison
Bunnie Avery, Administrative Assistant II
Bill Richmond
Susan Miller
Vickie Tarr
Christopher Davis

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Member Coddington made a motion to approve the October 8, 2024 meeting agenda. Member Bostrom seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Richmond, 2480 Tiger Lane, spoke to the Board regarding his concerns. Council Member Maier spoke with Mr. Richmond and will take his concerns to City Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Vice Chair Faylor made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2024 meeting of the Code Enforcement Board as presented. Member Coddington 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. **20241344**
Location of Violations: 115 Hillview Drive, Richland, WA 99352
Mailing Address: Same
Description of Violations: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass & Weeds, RMC 12.11.030 Sight Obstruction
Notice of Civil Violation Issued: September 3, 2024
Pablo & Paula Gonzalez

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

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$50 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1).

CODE BOARD DECISION: Member Coddington motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City’s Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of \$50 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation as compliance has been met. Vice Chair Faylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4.

20241107

David Daling

Location of Violations:

2331 Michael Avenue, Richland, WA 99352

Mailing Address:

Same

Description of Violations:

RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds, RMC 10.04.040(Q)
Dead/dying Trees, RMC 12.16.010 Maintaining Right-of-Way

Notice of Civil Violation Issued:

August 15, 2024

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

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has not been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$2,000 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1). For compliance to be met remove the dead/dying trees, trim the vegetation and clear the sidewalk so it is free from obstruction, and mow the grass/weeds throughout the property, including the back yard in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement.

CODE BOARD DECISION: Member Coddington motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City’s Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of \$2,000 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation as compliance has not been met. For compliance to be met remove the dead/dying trees, trim the vegetation and clear the sidewalk so it is free from obstruction, and mow the grass/weeds throughout the property, including the back yard in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement. Vice Chair Faylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5.

20231375

Connie Vandercook

Location of Violations:

1323 Cedar Avenue, Richland, WA 99354

Mailing Address:

3230 92nd Drive NE, Lake Stevens, WA 98258

Description of Violations:

RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass & Weeds, RMC 10.04.040(G)
Household Items and Vehicle Parts, RMC 10.04.030(C)
Accumulation of Garbage, RMC 10.04.040(R) Objects Blocking
the Sidewalk

Notice of Civil Violation Issued:

September 17, 2024

CASE REPORT: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement Officer, presented the facts of the case and responded to questions from the Code Enforcement Board. Respondent was not present.

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has not been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$2,000 for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1). For compliance to be met mow the entire property including the backyard so grasses and weeds do not exceed 6 inches in height. Remove all household items from the outside of the dwellings and dispose of or store inside. Remove and dispose of all trash, cardboard, and plastic in a proper manner in accordance

with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement.

CODE BOARD DECISION: Vice Chair Faylor recused himself from this case. Member Bostrom motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City's Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of \$2,000 for the issuance of the Notice of Civil Violation as compliance has not been met. For compliance to be met mow the entire property including the backyard so grasses and weeds do not exceed 6 inches in height. Remove all household items from the outside of the dwellings and dispose of or store inside. Remove and dispose of all trash, cardboard, and plastic in a proper manner in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement. Member Samuel seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0 with Faylor abstaining.

6. 20241165 Jadwin Spokane LLC
 Location of Violations: 1866 Jadwin Avenue, Richland, WA 99354
 Mailing Address: 915 W 2nd Avenue, Spokane, WA 999201
 Description of Violations: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass & Weeds
 Notice of Civil Violation Issued: September 16, 2024

CASE REPORT: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement Officer, presented the facts of the case and responded to questions from the Code Enforcement Board. Respondent was not present.

RECOMMENDATION: Compliance has not been met. Code Enforcement staff recommends assessment of a monetary penalty in the amount of \$2,500 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation (Exhibit 1). For compliance to be met mow a 20-foot fire break around the perimeter of the property in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement.

CODE BOARD DECISION: Member Coddington motioned to enter a default order affirming the violation identified in the City's Notice of Civil Violation, imposing a monetary penalty of \$2,500 for the issuance of the repeat Notice of Civil Violation as compliance has not been met. For compliance to be met mow a 20-foot fire break around the perimeter of the property in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. If correction of the violation has not occurred by November 10, 2024, the city may proceed with abatement. Member Samuel seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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:

None

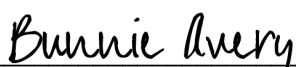
ADJOURNMENT:

Chair White adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

APPROVED this 12th day of November 2024.

ATTEST:


 SKYE WHITE, Chairman


 Bunnie Avery, Administrative Assistant II

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