



Council Request Update

February 6, 2017

Council Request: 16-242 (4420 S. Sherman trash in alley)

Assigned to: Code Enforcement

Request: Request to look into appliances and furniture thrown into alley.

Response: Please see attached email from Code Enforcement Supervisor David Lewis Jr.

Council Request: 17-005 (Sherman Street complaints unfair treatment)

Assigned to: Code Enforcement

Request: Request to look into complaints of unfair treatment for code violations.

Response: Please see attached response from Cmdr. Tim Englert

Council Requests 2017: Table

2/2/2017

Number	Date Requested	Requested by	Request	Assigned	Due Date	Date Completed
17-001	1/3/2017	Jefferson	Utilities obtain confirmation from ACZ	Utilities	1/9/2017	1/19/2017
17-002	1/3/2017	Barrentine	Pass along Ms. Bailey's questions and	Utilities	1/9/2017	1/6/2017
17-003	1/3/2017	Barrentine	Documenation for previous 4th of July	CMO	1/9/2017	1/23/2017
17-004	1/3/2017	Barrentine	Cahoots Communication blueprint for	CMO	1/9/2017	1/23/2017
17-005	1/26/2017	Jefferson	Sherman Street resident complaint re:	PD	1/31/2017	1/26/2017

Alison Carney

From: Eric Keck
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 5:08 PM
To: Alison Carney
Subject: FW: Trash and appliances left in alley

This is a formal council request and answer.

See the initial request from Councilor Barrentine.

Thank you.

Eric k

From: David Lewis Jr.
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 12:02 PM
To: John Collins
Subject: RE: Trash and appliances left in alley

Dear Chief,

This is the response I sent to Ms. Diamond today:

Dear Ms. Diamond,

I am sorry to hear that the complaint you filed about the illegal dumping in the alley was not handled to your expectations. I stopped by your home today to personally speak with you but you were not available. I left my business card for you. I assure you that the handyman did not know you filed a complaint however, I did initiate an investigation based on the information you provided. During the investigation I spoke with multiple homeowners who are victims of the illegal dumping to obtain information that may lead to a suspect(s) in this case. Since the handyman identified himself as being employed by you and working on the property I had reason to believe he may have information related to this case as a witness. The questions I asked are well within the scope of my duties. During my investigation, an additional complaint was provided to me and a separate investigation was initiated into illegally posted "No Parking" signs on the street outside of 4420 S Sherman St. I saw a large orange construction cone with a store purchased "No Parking" sign affixed to the top in the public right of way. This type of cone is typically used within the construction trade so I asked the handyman if it was his cone. The handyman told me it belonged to you. I asked the handyman if he felt comfortable passing my card onto you and he agreed. The original complaint that I investigated on January 3, 2017 was closed as no suspect information was obtained. I referred the trash in the alley to Public Works who has removed the electronics and furniture out of the alley. I conducted a follow-up inspection of the alley today and found it to be in compliance. I did see that the orange construction cone has been removed from the public

right away however it is now located on your property on the street side with a store purchased "No Parking" sign attached. Please keep in mind that on street parking is open to all members of the public and cannot be reserved or marked as "No Parking" without the City of Englewood's authorization. Should you have a special circumstance such as a disability you may apply to have proper signage with the Public Works department. Should you need to reserve or close down a portion of the public right of way during the landscaping and renovations you may apply for a permit to do so. If you have additional questions about the illegal dumping or the parking issues please feel free to call me or I can personally meet with you at a time of your choosing.

Regards,

Dave Lewis Jr
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Subject: Re: Trash and appliances left in alley

This is a little bit awkward in that we have had many people address this issue. I will have to determine who left their card. I suspect that it was our code enforcement supervisor. He probably did not recognize that they were speaking with a handyman and not the homeowner.

This might take a few days to track down but we will have someone follow up with Ms. Diamond.

Thank you.

Eric k

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 22, 2017, at 6:48 PM, Laurett Barrentine <LBarrentine@Englewoodco.gov> wrote:

Mayor Jefferson, Eric Keck,

Please address the concerns Sharon Diamond shared with me via email on the handling of the issues she raised.

Hi, I emailed you previously regarding the above issue, which you forwarded to someone who came to my house to discuss with me. Unfortunately I was at work, and the gentleman left his card with my Handiman, which he lost. So I have no way of communicating with the person. I am not happy that the person felt it ok to discuss my complaint in great detail to my Handiman, who then in great detail relayed this information back to me. This is I feel a betrayal of my confidence in the system, which can come back to endanger my relationships with my fellow neighbors

Thank you,
Laurett Barrentine
Englewood City Council, Dist 3
303 883-6495 cell

From: Eric Keck
Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2016 7:24:38 PM
To: Laurett Barrentine
Cc: lbarrentine1@gmail.com; Sharon Diamond; Joe Jefferson
Subject: Re: Trash and appliances left in alley

Thank you for bringing this to my attention. I will have Public Works address this matter. They remove items dumped in alleys. It is disappointing that this occurs but we will take care of it.

Eric k

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 27, 2016, at 7:08 PM, Laurett Barrentine
<LBarrentine@Englewoodco.gov> wrote:

Eric,

Your forwarding this issue to Code Enforcement would be appreciate. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Your attention to this concern is greatly appreciated.
Respectfully,

Laurett Barrentine
Englewood City Council, Dist 3
ibarrentine@gmail.com
303 883-6495 cell

From: Sharon Diamond _____
Date: Sun, Dec 25, 2016 at 3:01 PM
Subject: trash and appliances left in alley

Ms. Barrentine,

I purchased a home at 4420 S. Sherman st this year. I spent nearly half a million dollars on this home and currently have spent another 40,000 in upgrades and improvements. My desire to make the home and landscaping look better prompted my neighbor to the north of me to improve their landscaping and improve the look of their residence also. It is disapointing that others continue to make the neighborhood look like a junkyard.

I am attaching photos of just MY ALLEY. It is unacceptable to me that people just throw out appliances and furniture, leave them to rot and house rodents<6C74BBBE0DCF459091EC592F9E196544.jpg>. This presents a health hazaerd to all. I ask that this issue be addressed in some way that alleviates the problem. Should you wish to discuss further I can be reached at

Thank you for your anticipated attention to this matter

MEMORANDUM

To: Chief John Collins
From: Commander Tim Englert
Date: January 30, 2017
Subject: Follow-up to Council Request #17-005

Council Request #17-005

Assigned to: Commander Englert

Date Assigned: January 26, 2017

Follow-up information requested regarding a citizen's complaints; that he has not been treated fairly regarding code violations, the method of inspection used was inappropriate, and that one of his neighbors was being given preferential treatment by city staff.

On 9-16-16 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash.

On 10-18-16 a Summons was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash.

The Englewood Municipal Court ordered that the property owner Mark Swanson make his property located at 2836 S. Sherman and the adjacent vacant lot at 2840 S. Sherman available for inspection on Jan 12, 2017 by Code Enforcement and Building Department. Since multiple violations were anticipated which overlap several city departments a group effort was undertaken. This approach was taken in order complete the inspection of the two large properties in the most efficient manner with the least amount of inconvenience to Mr. Swanson. Three Code Enforcement officers, the new supervisor, and a newly hired trainee were present. A representative from the Fire Marshall's office and two representatives from Community Development were also present. Sergeant Reid McGrath and Commander Englert represented the Police Department. Two citizens were present at Mr. Swanson's request to represent his interests. The inspection was completed in approximately one hour in very cold conditions with lite snowfall.

On Jan 20, 2017, Mr. Swanson appeared in court. The judge ordered that Mr. Swanson make "significant" progress in addressing the issues identified in the next 30 days. His properties are to be re-inspected on Feb 16 for his next court appearance on Feb 17.

A friend of Mr. Swanson's, Doug Cohn, has agreed to assist with the efforts to address the cited issues. Commander Englert has opened a dialogue with Mr. Cohn in order to act as a liaison with the City.

Mr. Swanson has voiced his concern that he is being treated unfairly and that one of his neighbors has been given preferential treatment due to their relationship with the city. Chronologies related to code enforcement activities since 2005 at Mr. Swanson's two properties and his neighbors are attached. The neighbor's property is located at 2830 S. Sherman. A Posting Notice was issued at 2830 on Jan 3, 2017. Photos of the progress made at 2830 since that time are included on the chronology.

Code Enforcement Chronology for 2840 S. Sherman St.

2016

On 9-16-16 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk, EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash and EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. On 10-18-17 a Summons was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk, EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash and EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. *This case remains open in Municipal Court.*

On 6-07-16 and again on 9-16-16 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasse/Weeds (see above entry.)

2015

On 5-30-15 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 6-12-15.

2014

No cases.

2013

On 9-17-13 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 9-28-13.

2012

No cases.

2011

No cases.

2010

On 7-20-10 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 7-30-10.

On 5-03-10 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 5-14-10.

2009

On 6-01-09 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 6-08-09.

2008

On 1-30-08 a Notice of Violation was issued for (Zoning) violation EMC 16-5-1. In addition, on 1-30-08 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-9-2 Off-Road

Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. This case was closed Non Compliance on 3-19-08.

2007

No cases.

2006

No cases.

2005

On 11-03-05 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. This case was closed In Compliance on 11-21-05.

On 8-23-05 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles. On 9-01-05 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles. This case was closed In Compliance on 9-19-05.

Code Enforcement Chronology for 2836 S. Sherman St.

2016

On 9-16-16 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. On 10-18-16 a Summons was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. *This case remains open in Municipal Court.*

On 8-18-16 property owner reported mattresses dumped in alley behind his house, report was referred to Public Works with a request for removal of the mattresses.

On 5-26-16 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. On 6-07-16 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. On 9-16-16 this case was closed In Compliance.

2015

On 5-30-15 a Notice of Violation was issued for EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. On 6-12-15 this case was closed In Compliance.

2014

On 12-18-14 a case was opened under this address to note a coyote sighting in the neighborhood.

2013

On 9-17-13 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. On 9-28-13 this case was closed In Compliance.

2012

No cases.

2011

No cases.

2010

On 2-17-10 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles. This case was closed In Compliance on 3-30-10.

2009

On 11-16-09 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 11-3-2 Snow/Ice. This case was closed In Compliance 11-17-09.

On 6-01-09 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-6-1 Grass/Weeds. This case was closed In Compliance on 6-08-09.

On 1-14-09 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 11-3-2 Snow/Ice. This case was closed In Compliance on 1-15-09.

2008

On 11-06-08 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-7-4 Outdoor Storage- Personal Property. This case was closed In Compliance on 11-12-08.

On 1-30-08 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles, EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk and EMC 15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. This case was closed In Compliance on 3-19-08.

2007

No cases.

2006

No cases.

2005

On 11-21-05 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC 15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk. This case was closed Non Compliance on 11-21-05.

On 9-01-05 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC 15-9-1 Inoperable Vehicles. This case was closed on 9-19-05.

Code Enforcement Chronology for 2830 S. Sherman St.

2017

On 1-03-17 a Posting Notice was issued for violation of EMC #15-7-4/2A Outdoor Storage and EMC #15-7-3A Accumulation of Trash. The case remains open for a re-inspection that is scheduled for 2-02-17.



2016

No cases.

2015

No cases.

2014

No cases.

2013

No cases.

2012

No cases.

2011

No cases.

2010

No cases.

2009

No cases.

2008

On 6-25-08 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC #15-6-1 Grasses/Weeds. The case was closed In Compliance on 7-03-08.

2007

No cases.

2006

On 1-10-06 CE responded to a report of a sick/injured raccoon on property. The raccoon was removed.

2005

On 11-08-05 a Notice of Violation was issued for violation of EMC #15-7-2A Outdoor Storage- Junk. The case was closed In Compliance on 11-17-05.