

## **Council Request Update**

May 24 2018

Council Request: 18-047

Requested by: Council Member Olson

Request: Request for history of violations at 3036 S. Ogden

**Assigned to:** Police Department

Response: Please see the response from Code Enforcement Supervisor David Lewis

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Request: Request for code inspection at 3296 S. Washington Street

**Assigned to:** Police Department

Response: Please see the response from Code Enforcement Supervisor David Lewis



TO: Chief John Collins

**FROM:** Code Enforcement Supervisor David Lewis

**DATE:** May 23rd, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Council Request

CR18-047

Requested by: Council Member Olson: Request for history of violations at 3036 S Ogden.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Multiple complaints regarding this property were generated from multiple different reporting parties regarding a fire pit, weeds, trash, outdoor storage and the possibility of someone living in an RV.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 I spoke to a reporting party by phone. I spend time educating the reporting party on the role of code enforcement, the EMC and the due process court proceeding. The reporting party was not satisfied with the answers that were provided and was frustrated with the timeframes outlined in the EMC.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 an inspection was conducted by Code Enforcement. Code Enforcement took the time to explain the violation in detail to the resident. The resident moved to the property in February and was not familiar with the municipal codes. The resident admitted that an out of state friend was sleeping in the RV but was going to have the friend move into the home for the remainder of the stay. It was explained to the resident that the RV can legally be parked in the driveway of the home with valid plates and they may use the RV but a person could not sleep in the RV without a permit for a temporary stay. The resident agreed to come into compliance with the other violations.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 a 14 day Notice of Violation was issued for the following Municipal Code Violations:

11-6-2: Living in Vehicles 11-6-2: Non Resident RV

15-7-4: Outdoor Storage on the Property

15-7-3: Trash and Litter

The fire pit is in compliance.

The same reporting party called and spoke to me on two other occasions asking for a status on the case. The reporting party was informed that Code Enforcement was working with the resident towards voluntary compliance to include a follow-up inspection that may include the possibility of a summons into court if the property was not in compliance. The reporting party again expressed a high level of frustration with what the EMC outlines.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement conducted a follow up inspection. The property is in compliance with the exception of the RV expired plates. The resident wants it on the record that the RV will be towed away to another property just so the neighbors stop "harassing him" with the ongoing calls to police and code enforcement. The resident is in the process of getting the plates but has run into a complication with the titling as the RV was purchased from a police auction. The resident asked for an extension until May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to have the RV plated or moved. Code Enforcement granted the extension because the resident communicated with Code Enforcement and voluntarily complied to correct the other violations.

The resident expressed that they are a veteran family and is frustrated that none of the neighbors communicated concerns directly. The resident is hurt, frustrated and does not feel welcome in the area.

On May 21<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement conducted an inspection and found the property to be in compliance. The resident voluntarily moved the RV off the property.



TO: Chief John Collins

**FROM:** Code Enforcement Supervisor David Lewis

**DATE:** May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

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Requested by: Council Member Olson: Request for Code Inspection 3296 S.

Washington St.

On May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement received an email complaint from the City Manager's Office forwarded from Council. The complaint was in reference to weeds, outdoor storage, trash and the possibility of someone living inside the garage at 3296 S Washington St.

Between May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement worked to track down the current owner using public records and establish a contact with someone locally to assist with the property as the current tenants did not respond to Code Enforcement.

On May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement conducted an inspection of the property along with the property manager. The property is comprised of a business that is still in operation but does not keep typical hours along with a residential home located at 725 E Floyd Ave with 3 detached separate row style garages. The property was in violation of EMC:

15-6-1 Grass & Weeds over 6 inches tall

15-7-4 Outdoor Storage

15-7-3 Trash & Litter

The property manager who told Code Enforcement:

- The property was recently purchased
- It is owned by someone out of state and he is responsible for the property
- The lease terms were not effectively communicated regarding property maintenance to the tenants
- Someone moved into the garage without permission and may be living inside
- The person was currently inside the garage
- The person inside the garage is responsible for the trash and outdoor storage problems
- He wanted the person trespassed from the garage as they did not lease it

Police responded to assist with the trespasser. Inside the garage, Code Enforcement and the Police Department found a person to include a bed along with other items consistent with someone living inside the garage. The person was verbally trespassed and the property manager requested the person inside remove all item within 24 hours.

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Code Enforcement conducted a follow up inspection of 3296 S Washington along with 725 E Floyd Ave with the property manager. The property was in compliance as the weeds were cut and most of the trash was removed. The garage was empty and the person living inside was no longer on the property. A few household items were illegally dumped in the alley from the person who once lived in the garage. Code Enforcement is working with the property manager and public works to have the items removed from the alley. The garage is now locked.