## Code Enforcement Board Minutes March 3, 2015

The Murray Code Enforcement Board met in regular session on March 3, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 104 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Board Members Present**: Chairman Danny Brittain, Mitzi Key, Kim Hampton, Sam Underwood and Mike Lovins

**Others Present**—Officer Tim Fortner, Sgt. Kendra Clere, Officer Jay Herndon, Chief Jeff Liles, Attorney Warren Hopkins, Attorney Chip Adams, Attorney Gary Haverstock, James Hornbuckle, Roy Weatherly, Nishanth Kesavre Reddi, Maressa Travis and general audience.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brittain and roll was taken.

**Approval of February 3, 2015 Minutes:** A voice vote count was given and all were in agreement.

**Public Hearing—James Hornbuckle**: Chairman Brittain called the public hearing to order and Maressa Travis read the case information. Chairman asked the board if they had any direct or indirect financial or personal interests in this matter. All board members answered no. Chairman asked the City Representative to come forward. Attorney Warren Hopkins came forward and identified Attorney Haverstock as Mr. Hornbuckle's representative and Attorney Adams as an additional representative for the Code Enforcement Board. Mr. Haverstock announced his intentions as far as motions to vacant and dismiss, and requested a continuance of Mr. Hornbuckle's hearing pending review of the ordinances. Mr. Hopkins agreed it would be in the Board's best interest to continue the hearing. Mr. Adams stated that since he had just come on board as counsel, he advised continuing until he is aware of all the facts of the case. Mr. Adams also suggested the possibility of alternate resolution, and suggested continuing to May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. **A motion was made by Mitzi Key and seconded by Mike Lovins. A vote was taken and the motion to continue passed 5-0.** 

Public Hearing—Roy Weatherly—Chairman called the public hearing to order and Maressa Travis read the case information. Secretary Travis stated to the Board that this case was heard at the February 3, 2015 meeting and that Mr. Weatherly was unable to attend due to his hospitalization. Mr. Weatherly wrote a letter requesting the Board reopen the case. The Board agreed to hear Mr. Weatherly. Chairman Brittain called the City Representative forward. Officer Fortner came forth and was sworn in. Officer Fortner restated the specifics to Mr. Weatherly's property maintenance violation and answered questions from the Board. Chairman called Roy Weatherly forward and he was sworn in. The Board questioned Mr. Weatherly regarding the length of time it took Mr. Weatherly to get the job completed. Mr. Weatherly testified that the sewer line repair was completed. Kim Hampton made a motion to dismiss the fine and Mitzi Key seconded it. A vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

**Public Hearing—Nishanth Kesavre Reddi—**Chairman called the public hearing to order and Maressa Travis read the case information. Chairman called City Representative forward. Officer Jay Herndon was sworn in. Officer Herndon stated that the violation was issued to the driver of the vehicle but that the driver, Mr. Reddi, is not the owner of the vehicle. The Board questioned Officer Herndon. Chairman called Respondent Nishanth Reddi forward and he was sworn in. Mr. Reddi stated he was test driving the vehicle to see if he wanted to

purchase the vehicle and answered questions from the Board. Kim Hampton made the motion to dismiss the fine and penalties. Sam Underwood seconded and the motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Default Case—Keri Stegeman. Chairman called the default hearing to order. Secretary Travis read the case information. Kim Hampton made the motion to uphold the fine and Sam Underwood seconded. The fine is to be paid by April 4, 2015. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5-0.

Default Case—Seth Rollins—Chairman Brittain called the default hearing to order. Secretary Travis read the case information. Member Key made a motion to uphold the fine of \$50.00 to be paid by April 4, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mike Lovins. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5-0.

**Default Case—Diana Whitley**—Chairman Brittain called the default hearing to order. Ms. Travis read the case information. Member Key made a motion to uphold the fine of \$150.00 and seconded by Member Hampton. Chairman asked the board if they had any direct or indirect financial or personal interest in this matter. All board members answered they did not. **Member Mitzi Key made a motion to uphold the fine of \$150.00. The motion was seconded by Member Kim Hampton. Fine is to be paid by April 4, 2015. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5-0.** 

There were no more questions or comments. Member Mitzi Key made a motion to adjourn and Sam Underwood seconded.

Chairman Danny Brittain

Recording Secretary, Maressa Travis