

## DRAFT MINUTES HEARING OFFICER JULY 1, 2025

Minutes of the regular public hearing of the Hearing Officer, of the City of Tempe, which was held at the Council Chambers, 31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona.

### REGULAR SESSION 12:00 PM

**Present:**

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer  
Jeff Tamulevich, Community Development Director  
Drew Yocom, Deputy Director – Community Enhancement  
Jack Scofield, Code Compliance Manager  
Shawn Daffara, Crime Prevention Planning Coordinator  
Cassidy McFerran, Executive Assistant

There were zero (0) interested citizens present.

Meeting convened at 12:00 PM and was called to order by Vanessa MacDonald. Hearing Officer MacDonald stated anyone wishing to appeal a decision will need to file a written appeal within fourteen (14) calendar days, by July 15, 2025 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

#### 1. Agenda Item No. 1

##### **June 17, 2025 Hearing Officer Minutes**

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer, stated that the June 17, 2025 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved.

#### 2. Agenda Item No. 2

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the SHEPHERD Property located at 1849 East Harvard Dr. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE250080).

- Hector Heredia, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
  - Inspector Heredia requested a 180-day open abatement for 1849 East Harvard Dr.
  - The case was initiated on 1/07/25 for an inoperable vehicle, junk/debris in front and rear yards.
  - Additional complaints have been submitted to the Code Compliance Division.
  - There has been some communication with the property owner, but no progress made.
  - A citation was also issued. The property owner did not pay the fee and it was sent to collections.
  - The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Shawn Daffara stated no contact has been made by the property owner or any other member of the public to speak on behalf of this case.
- Hearing Officer MacDonald approved the 180-day open abatement request found in CE250080.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Shawn Daffara announced the next Hearing Officer meeting is scheduled to take place on July 15, 2025 in the Tempe City Council Chambers and broadcast live through Tempe 11.

With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Prepared by: Cassidy McFerran  
Reviewed by: Drew Yocom

Drew Yocom, Deputy Director – Community Enhancement  
For Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer

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