

DRAFT MINUTES HEARING OFFICER SEPTEMBER 2, 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 1:00 PM

Present:

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

There were zero (0) interested citizens present.

Meeting convened at 1:00 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 September 16, 2025 at 3:00 PM, to the Community Development Department.

1. Agenda Item No. 1

August 19, 2025 Hearing Officer Minutes

Vanessa MacDonald, Hearing Officer, stated that the August 19, 2025 Hearing Officer Minutes had been reviewed and were approved.

2. Agenda Item No. 2

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the VAN EGMOND Property located at 1620 East Williams Street. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE190735).

- Hector Heredia, Code Inspector, gave the following overview of this case:
 - Inspector Heredia requested a 180-day open abatement for 1620 East Williams Street.
 - The case was initiated on 07/17/25 for deteriorating landscaping during a current abatement for the front yard.
 - Numerous complaints have been submitted to Code Compliance.
 - The inspector then presented photos taken earlier in the day showcasing the violations on site.
- Drew Yocom 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 CE190735.

3. Agenda Item No. 3

Request approval to abate public nuisance items at the URSCHEL Property located at 3406 South Shafer Drive. The applicant is the City of Tempe (CE241515).

- Anna Churan, Code Inspector Supervisor, gave the following overview of this case:
 - Supervisor Churan requested a 180-day open abatement for 3406 South Shafer Drive.
 - The case was initiated on 3/1/24 for deteriorating landscape.
 - Two (2) complaints have been submitted to Code Compliance for deteriorating landscape and junk and debris.
 - 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.
- Drew Yocom 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 CE241515.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Shawn Daffara announced the next Hearing Officer meeting is scheduled to take place on September 16, 2025 in the Tempe City Council Chambers and broadcast live through Tempe 11.

With no further business, the public hearing adjourned at 1:20 PM.

Prepared by: Cassidy McFerran
Reviewed by: Drew Yocom

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

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