## LETTER OF APPEAL

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CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE

**DATE**: April 10, 2017

## Attn:

Diana T. Garza, Building Standards Board Liason Code Enforcement Division of the City of Corpus Christi P. O. Box 9277 Corpus Christi, Texas 78469-9277

**REF**: Case Number: 77844-120816

4918 Bonner Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78411 Lot 23, Block 8 Gardendale Addition #2

Ref: Certified Letter #7013 2630 0002 1514 9824 (attached)

## Board:

Let it be known that this is appeal is being filed well within the 30 days of the Board's written decision which is the date of this letter attached (March 23, 2017). Following a phone conversation with Ms. Garza on Thurs. April 6th, I was instructed that the "final order by the City" could be appealed in writing and filed with the City Secretary within 30 days.

First of all, please note that any communications mailed to the 4918 Bonner address were undeliverable or did not reach me, as this is residence is vacant. Any and all postings on the structure itself were collected (by a neighor, I assume) and placed under the step of the front porch. I did not receive any of the information, decisions, meetings, or calls to action prior to the recent communication of March 23rd.

Second, I am the owner of said property at 4918 Bonner Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78411. Further I have faithfully paid property taxes on this residence on time every year for the past 25 years. I have maintained insurance on the structure as well. I have had the structure boarded up and it is in somewhat disrepair because of some recent negligence. Please know that personal and health issues have kept me from addressing this property other than keeping it mowed and free of

debris in the past months.

I am now in a position to address this property. I have a construction worker and a plumber on board to assist in getting this property up to par and ready to be occupied. I am hopeful that the Board will see it to forgive the order of demolition and grant me the opportunity I am requesting. I further understand that I may need to obtain the proper permits before initiating repairs, as required by the Board. I will be visiting the Development Services to obtain such permits, once I have visited with the Code Enforcement Division with regards to this recent order to demolish.

I thank you in advance for considering my appeal and am available to discuss or further this process as you may find necessary. Again, let me state that I did not receive any of these communications till April 4th, 2017 when I recovered a stack of notices from under the step at the property.

I will await your favorable response. Please contact me at your earliest convenience as I have a crew prepared to begin the work. Thanking you in advance for your attention and consideration.

Linda Reyes, Owner 8106 Calgary Drive

Corpus Christi, TX 78414

Home Phone 361-992-6306

Cell Phone 361-537-4322



## Code Enforcement Division Police Department



DATE: March 23, 2017

CERTIFIED LETTER # 7016 2140 0000 5067 6188

OWNER: Linda Reyes

ADDRESS: 4925 Williams Dr.

CITY STATE ZIP: Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

RE: 4918 Bonner ADD' Gardendale #2

LOT: 23 BLOCK: 8

The Building Standards Board met at <u>1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 23, 2017</u> in the Council Chambers, 1201 Leopard, to hear matters concerning the substandard building(s) located at the above referenced property. A final order of the Board's decision made on that date is enclosed. The period of time allowed you to comply with the decision of the Board commences from the date of the enclosed order.

The owner or occupant, or his/her duly authorized agent, may appeal the decision of this Board to the City Council. Such appeal must be perfected by filing a sworn notice of appeal with the City Secretary within thirty (30) days from the date of notice of the Board's written decision which is the date of this letter. This appeal must state specifically any error alleged to have been committed by the Board or that the decision of the Board would cause undue hardship and state the reasons for the hardship. Prior to the institution of any appeal in a court of law by an aggrieved person from a decision of the Board, appeal must first be perfected to the City Council. The decision of the City Council shall be final unless the aggrieved party appeals by instituting suit for that purpose in any court having jurisdiction within fifteen (15) days from the date on which the decision of the City Council was rendered.

It may be necessary for you to obtain the proper permits before initiating demolition or repairs as required by the Board. A permit can be obtained at Development Services located at 2406 Leopard Street, Corpus Christi Texas. Please contact Code Enforcement Division located at 1201 Leopard Street prior to obtaining the permit(s).

Please contact Diana T. Garza, Building Standards Board Liaison, if you have any questions regarding this matter. She can be reached at (361) 826-3009.

Sincerely,
Diana T. Garza
Building Standards Board Liaison
Code Enforcement Division

Attachment: Board Order Case number: 77844-120816