

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON OCTOBER 30, 2006
AT THE BOARD OFFICE**

PRESENT

Jerald Kreppel
Ken O'Brien
Tracey Feerick
Anthony Creaney
Philip Friedman

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The Committee discussed what to do about the eyesore of the partially completed construction project at the intersection of Orloff Avenue and Cannon Place. A photograph of this site is attached hereto.

It has been a long time since any work was done on this site and the Buildings Department has issued a Stop Work Order for this site.

The Committee was also advised that a Stop Work Order was issued for a construction site across the street at 3904 Orloff Avenue, that is allegedly owned by the same person through a different LLC.

These Stop Work Orders were issued because of certain violations by the owner that resulted in the Buildings Department issuing the owner Notice of Violation and the subject Stop Work Order.

For example, according to the violation issued for the project shown in the annexed photo the owner was only permitted to build two detached 2 family homes. Instead, as can be seen from the attached annexed photo, the owner built three attached 2 family homes.

These violations and Stop Work Orders came about because community activists complained to the Buildings Department, which then sent out inspectors to look at these projects.

This history raised a number of concerns for the Housing Committee:

1. What are the Buildings Department and the owner going to do about the current situation on these two sites? How long will these "eyesores" remain as they are?

2. Would the violations that resulted in the Stop Work Orders have been detected by the Buildings Department, if it had not been for the complaints of concerned citizens?

It was proposed that letters be written by the Community Board to the Buildings Department and to the owner of these properties inquiring as to what they intend to do with these properties and to have the Buildings Department and by the owner give the Community Board a time frame as to when the work will be done.

It was agreed by the Committee that the current situation regarding these two sites must be addressed by the Buildings Department and the owner, and that the current situation of a partly completed eyesore should not be allowed to continue.

The Chair agreed to do some further research on these two sites and to draft a letter and/or resolution for Community Board regarding these two sites.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerald Kreppel
Chairman
Housing Committee

