

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SFA #10, Block 15, Lot 6 (TR-453)

STRUCTURE(S): single-family residence
 accessory structure

PROPERTY OWNER(S): Hightower Kevin Ray

**LIENHOLDER(S)/
MORTGAGEE(S):** none

ACTIVE UTILITIES: yes no **DISCONNECTED ON:** 09/19/2011

BRAZOS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT/TAX OFFICE INFORMATION:

PROPERTY ID: 40035
IMPROVEMENT VALUE: \$22,400
YEAR BUILT: 1940
SF OF LIVING AREA: 880
CURRENT OWNER SINCE: 2/4/2002
PROPERTY TAXES OWED: \$0

BACKGROUND:

- While inspecting a structure on a nearby property, City staff noticed this structure was vacant and in obvious need of repairs.
- Notices that the property had an electrical hold on it from the Chief Building Official were mailed to the property owner on 3/24/14.
- Notice to secure the property were sent out on 3/24/14.
- City staff met with owner on November 10, 2014. The home was deemed unsafe and not feasible for repairs.
- Notices that the property would be scheduled for consideration by the Building and Standards Commission were mailed to the property owner on April 6, 2015 and May 18, 2015.
- The home was found unsecured on May 13, 2015.
- The owner obtained a demolition permit on June 1, 2015.
- As of June 9, 2015, the house has not been demolished.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. staff recommendation
2. pictures
3. dangerous structures survey reports

**BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION
STAFF RECOMMENDATION**



June 22, 2015

Case #: 2109

Building Address: 2006 Old Hearne Road

Record Owner(s): Hightower Kevin Ray

The City's Chief Building Official has requested this Commission hearing to discuss the building and one accessory structure on this property, and all legal notices of the hearing were provided to record owners, lienholders, and mortgagees. They were also notified that if they wanted to repair the building and/or accessory structure they needed to meet with City staff and come to the hearing with a detailed plan for repairs, including cost estimates. Based on the surveys, reports, photographs, and other evidence provided to the Commission, the City recommends that the Commission find the building unsafe based on the standards set forth in Bryan Code of Ordinances Section 14-224 subsection(s):

- 1) The building, structure, or any part thereof is likely to partially or fully collapse.
- 2) The structure or any part thereof was constructed or maintained in violation of any provision of the City's Building Code, or any other applicable ordinance or law of the city, county, state or federal government.
- 3) One or more walls or other vertical structural members list, lean, or buckle to such an extent that a plumb line passing through the center of gravity falls outside of the middle third or its base.
- 4) The foundation or the vertical or horizontal supporting members are twenty five percent (25%) or more damaged or deteriorated.
- 5) The non supporting coverings of walls, ceilings, roofs, or floors are fifty percent (50%) or more damaged or deteriorated.
- 6) The structure has improperly distributed loads upon the structural members, or they have insufficient strength to be reasonably safe for the purpose used.
- 7) The structure or any part thereof has been damaged by fire, water, earthquake, wind, vandalism, or other cause to such an extent that it has become dangerous to the public health, safety and welfare.
- 8) The structure or any part thereof has inadequate means of egress as required by the City's Building Code.
- 9) The structure does not have adequate light ventilation, or sanitation facilities as required by the City's Building Codes and Plumbing Code.

The City further recommends that the Commission find that:

- the building is unsecured and must be boarded up and/or fenced in such a manner to prevent unauthorized entry by a person, including a child, through missing or unlocked doors or windows or through other openings into the building.**
- the accessory structure is unsecured and must be boarded up and/or fenced in such a manner to prevent unauthorized entry by a person, including a child, through missing or unlocked doors or windows or through other openings into the structure.**

- the building may not be feasibly repaired in compliance with City ordinances.**

The City recommends that the Commission issue an order to the owner, lienholder, or mortgagee to:

- secure the building and accessory structure(s) from unauthorized entry within 30 days.**
- demolish the building and accessory structure(s) and all debris within 30 days.**

The City recommends that the Commission orders that the City may:

- disconnect water and electric utilities to the building and accessory structure; and**
- secure the structure, demolish the building and accessory structure and remove the debris in accordance with Chapter 14 of the City of Bryan's Code of Ordinances if the owner, lienholder, or mortgagee fails to comply with the Commission's order.**

PICTURES:



Front of house



Electrical service/front porch



Rear and side of house, damaged siding



Damaged/rotten siding



Damaged windows



Surface mount electrical – box frame



Hole in ceiling, missing attic access door



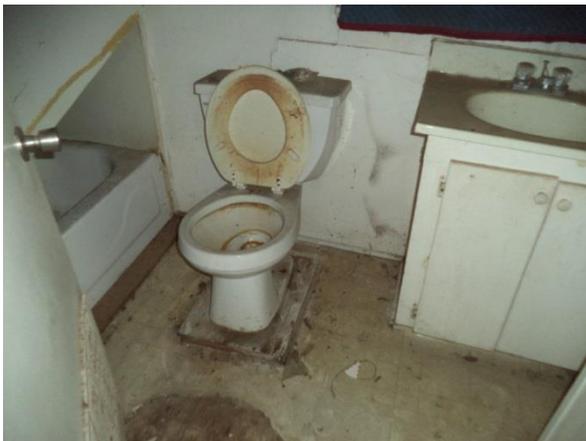
Partially enclosed rear porch for washer/dryer/water Heater, water heater missing



Vent above missing water heater



low ceilings at back of house



Bath room



Shed



Dangerous Structures Survey Report

Chief Building Official

Case # 2109

A. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2006 Old Hearne Road, Lot 6, Block 15, SFA #10

B. SPECIFICATIONS: No. Rooms 6-7 No. Stories 1 No. Structures 2

STRUCTURAL USE

CONSTRUCTION

OCCUPANCY

- Residential/Single Family
- Mixed Use
- Commercial
- Residential/Multi Family
- Accessory Structure(s)

- Box
- Frame
- Masonry
- Mobile Home

- Occupied
- Vacant
- Open

C. FINDINGS

01. The structure or a part thereof was constructed or maintained in violation of a provision of the City's building code, other applicable ordinance, state law, or federal law. Specifically, the following:

2009 IRC / 2011 NEC

Main structure? Accessory structure?

02. Any wall or other vertical structural members list, lean, or buckle to an extent that a plumbline passing through the center of gravity falls outside of the middle third of its base. Main structure? Accessory structure?

03. The foundation or the vertical or horizontal supporting members are materially damaged or deteriorated. Main structure? Accessory structure?

04. The non-supporting coverings of walls, ceilings, roofs, or floors are materially damaged or deteriorated. Main structure? Accessory structure?

05. The structure has improperly distributed loads upon the structural members, or they have insufficient strength to be reasonably safe for the purpose used. Main structure? Accessory structure?

06. The structure or any part thereof has inadequate means of egress as required by the city's building code. Main structure? Accessory structure?

07. The structure is unsanitary, unfit for human habitation, or likely to cause sickness due to damage, deterioration, or inadequate design/construction. Specifically the structure does not meet the city's requirements for:

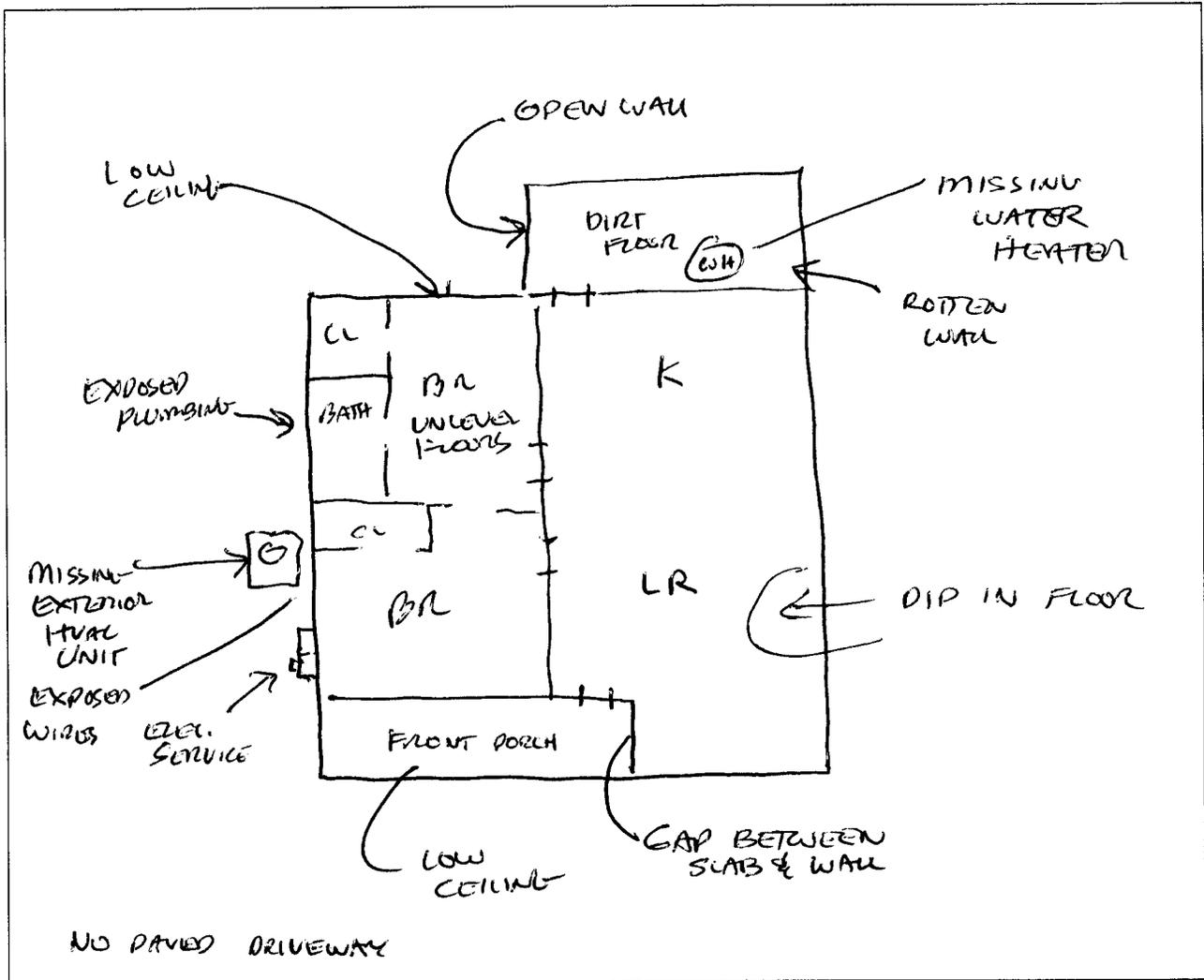
- light
- ventilation
- sanitation facilities

Main structure? Accessory structure?

- 08. Injury to persons or damage to property will result because portion, member or appurtenance is likely to fail, become detached or dislodged, or collapse.
Main structure? Accessory structure?
- 09. Unable to give reasonable protection to any occupants from weather elements or danger of collapse because of:
 Holes or cracks in the floor, exterior wall or roof
 Loose, rotten, warped or protruding boards
Main structure? Accessory structure?
- 10. Is manifestly unsafe for the purpose for which it is being used or so as not to give reasonable protection from danger of collapse or fire because of:
 Defective materials
 Structural deterioration
 Interior walls or ceilings with holes, cracks or loose plaster
Main structure? Accessory structure?
- 11. The building, structure, or a part thereof, is unsecured and open.
Main structure? Accessory structure?

COMMENTS: 1. Accessory structure is collapsing/rotten 2. Water heater missing, water heater room has dirt floor and one open side (porch) 3. Low ceilings 6'-8" or less in various locations 4. Un level floors, foundation damage 5. Exterior siding damage and decay 6. Damaged windows 7. Damaged/deteriorated roof overhangs 8. Hole in ceiling in living area 9. Damaged interior finishes 10. Gap at porch foundation and exterior walls 11. Damaged tub surround in bath room 12. Damaged floor in bath room 13. Damamged exterior and interior light fixtures 14. House has some box framed walls 15. Missing blanks in electrical panel 16. Exposed plumbing at exterior walls 17. Missing exterior HVAC unit, exposed wiring

D. FLOOR PLAN (if necessary)



E. DETERMINATION

1. It has been determined upon inspection and investigation that the structure is dangerous, unsafe, or a hazard to public health and must be secured and:
- A. Be vacated OR remain unoccupied; and
- B. Be repaired OR be demolished.
2. It has been determined upon inspection and investigation that the structure is not dangerous, unsafe, or a hazard to public health as defined by the City's Code of Ordinances.

Gregory S. Cox
Signature

GREGORY S. COX
Printed Name

5-14-15
Date



Dangerous Structures Survey Report

Fire Marshal

Case #2109

A. **PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 2006 Old Hearne Road, Lot 6, Block 15, SFA #10

B. **SPECIFICATIONS:** No. Rooms _____ No. Stories 1 No. Structures 1

STRUCTURAL USE

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OCCUPANCY

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Box
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 Masonry
 Mobile Home

Occupied
 Vacant
 Open

C. **FINDINGS**

01. The structure or a part thereof has been damaged by fire, water, earthquake, wind, vandalism, or other cause to such an extent that it has become dangerous to the public health, safety, and welfare.
I estimate that 100% of the main structure is considered a loss.
I estimate that —% of the accessory structure is considered a loss.
02. The structure or a part thereof has deteriorated to such an extent that it has become dangerous to the public health, safety, and welfare.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?
03. The structure or a part thereof does not have adequate means of egress as required by the City's building code, and poses a danger in case of fire or panic.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?
04. The structure or a part thereof lacks necessary fire-resistive construction, and the threat of a fire in the structure poses a risk to inhabitants, neighboring structures, and fire department personnel.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?
05. Obsolete, damaged, or deteriorated electric wiring, gas connections, heating apparatus, or other mechanical infrastructure present a risk of fire.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?
06. The proximity of the structure or a part thereof to other structures on this or neighboring properties constitutes a fire hazard for the other structures.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?
07. The structure or a part thereof is in violation of the City's fire code.
Main Structure? Accessory Structure?

