



BLIGHTED PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE

**CERTIFICATION HEARING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2013
COUNCIL CHAMBERS at 6:00 p.m.
AGENDA**

**All parties wishing to testify must register with the
BPRC Solicitor before the hearing begins.**

I. Call to Order

6:00p.m.

II. Purpose

In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Urban Redevelopment Law of 1945, as amended, and the City of Reading Blighted Property Review Committee Ordinance #106-2012 ("Ordinance"), the City of Reading has determined that the properties listed on this agenda meet the legal definition of "blight" by exhibiting one or more of the following twelve conditions listed in the Ordinance. As prescribed by the Ordinance, the City of Reading's Blighted Property Review Committee (BPRC) is meeting to review the reports of the Building/Trades Division and the Property Maintenance Division on your property to determine whether it, in fact, meets the definition of blight and can be determined or certified as a blighted property.

As described in the Ordinance, if your property is determined or certified as blighted, the BPRC will issue an Order which will provide you with approximately 60 days to rehabilitate the property to correct/remove the cause of blight certification, or follow the designated alternative remedy. At the hearing the BPRC shall render a final Order which shall be mailed to the property owner. If you fail to comply with the final BPRC Certification Order, the property will then be certified to the Reading Redevelopment Authority by the Planning Commission for acquisition of the property through voluntary sale or the use of the Authority's power of eminent domain.

III. Approval of the Minutes Sept 2013 Meeting

IV. Remove from the Blighted List

V. Certification Hearing

1. 45 S 10th St, Benjamin Epstein and Menachm Ohana, owners, 1455 E 15th Street, Brooklyn NY 11230, purchased Nov 2006

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 45 S 10th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

2. 47 S 10th St., Robert Barto, owner, 5 Park Place Dr., Sinking Spring, PA 19608, purchased Dec 1999

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 47 S 10th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

3. 1054 N 10th St., Stephen Sullivan, owner, 1207 N 13th St, Reading, 19604, purchased Aug 2001

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 1054 N 10th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

4. 641 N 9th St, Juan Rodriguez, 21 Myrtle Ave., Clifton NJ 07014, purchased April 2005

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 641 N 9th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

5. 643 N 9th St, Lillian Marquez, owner, 2810 Kutztown Rd., 19605, purchased May 2012

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 643 N 9th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

6. 645 N 9th St, Hector Guerrero & Lissy Epinal, owners, 605 51st St, Apt 1, Brooklyn NY 11220, purchased Nov 2004

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 645 N 9th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

7. 1505 Perkiomen Ave, Jermaine Monroe, owner, 1505 Perkiomen Ave, Reading 19602, purchased April 2007

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 1505 Perkiomen Ave as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

8. 701 Walnut St, Lou Burgos, owner 1647 Perkiomen Ave, 19602, purchased March 2012

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 701 Walnut St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

9. 722 A Moss St, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., owners, 3300 SW 34th Ave Ste 101 Osceola FL 34474, purchased May 2013

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 722 A Moss St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

10. 1400 Hampden Blvd, Marie Pierre, owner, 1400 Hampden Blvd 19604, purchased Jan 2004

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 1400 Hampden Blvd as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

11. 443 S 5th St, Ann Marie Almario, owner, 443 S 5th St., Reading 19602 purchased Feb 2004

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 443 S 5th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

12. 1925 N 14th St, Victor Armas, owner, 5672 Allentown Pike Reading 19605, purchased April 2004

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 1925 N 14th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

13. 200 W Oley St, Marilyn Nye, owner, 531 Schuylkill Ave Reading 19601, no purchase date listed

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 200 W. Oley St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

14. 531 Schuylkill Ave, Marilyn Nye, owner, 1620 Norton Ave., Reading 19606, no purchase date listed

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 531 Schuylkill Ave St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

15. 20 S 10th St, Luke Beachy, owner, 136 W Wesner Rd., Blandon 19510, purchased April 2008

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 20 S 10th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.

16. 700 N 10th St, Mercedes Rodriguez, PO Box 12866, Reading 19612, purchased March 2004

1. Oath to all presenting testimony
2. Findings of Fact & Presentation of Evidence – City Staff
3. Testimony from Property Owner (5 minute limitation)
4. Public Comment (5 minute limitation)
5. BPRC Vote and Announcement of Decision
 - Due to the findings from City staff, the Chair requests a motion to certify 700 N 10th St as a blighted property or to remove it from the target list.