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Mayor Harold Perrin

Re: Jonesboro Lawsuits

As you requested, here is list and status of all current outstanding civil cases for City of Jonesboro:

A condemnation was filed April 2, 2008 against Robert Walker, et al.. Answer filed by attorney Don Parker on 4-22-08; Case set for November, 2009. Case Continued. New Attorney hired, Larry J. Steele. Trial set for August 29, 2011.

A condemnation was filed April 2, 2008 against James and Donna Walker. Answer filed by attorney Don Parker April 22, 2008. Case set for November, 2009. Case continued. New Attorney hired, Larry J. Steele. Trial set for August 29, 2011.

A Complaint for Injunction and Order of Abatement filed July 8, 2010 against Country Garden Apartments. Attorney Hunter Hanshaw filed Answer on July 30, 2010. Trial is set for March 23, 2011. Various other pleadings and motions have been filed since. A hearing was held on 13/15/11 in which the judge dismissed all of the defense's counterclaims against the City of Jonesboro. The judge gave them until April 13, 2011 to refile the counterclaims with more specific facts. New trial date is September 6. 2011.

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Honorable Harold Perrin Mayor of City of Jonesboro P.O. Box 1845 Jonesboro, AR 72403-1845 Phillip Crego P.O. Box 1845 Jonesboro, AR 72403-1845

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Gentlemen:

As per your request, here is a current list and status of all of the current outstanding cases for the City of Jonesboro.

Rebecca Blankenship v. City of Jonesboro, AR
 This cases involves and auto accident involving a police officer

Craighead Co. Circuit No. CV-2009-

We filed a Complaint on behalf of the City of Jonesboro against the driver, Deborah Blankenship, in January of 2009. The attorney for Rebecca Blankenship has also filed a Motion to Consolidate the two Complaints.

Trial set for February 2, 2010 was removed from docket at Plaintiff's request; concluding additional discovery requests from Plaintiff; Plaintiff would like to discuss settlement prospects.

2. Monica Brodie v. City of Jonesboro
This case involves race and gender
discrimination claims
Suit filed December 12, 2008

Suit filed June 9, 2009

Craighead County Circuit Case No. CV-2008-0913

Hearing on Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment held on February 2, 2011; Court ruled in

Jonesboro's favor; proposed Order has been sent to Plaintiff's attorney; and will then be forwarded to Court for approval to dismiss Plaintiff's lawsuit.

3. Troy Coleman v. City of Jonesboro, AR Craighead Co. Circuit No. CV 2007-595
This case alleges failure to rezone
Suit filed September 6, 2007.

No activity since filing Jonesboro's Answer in September of 2007.

4. Harvey Edwards vs. City of Jonesboro Craighead Co. Circuit No. CV-2005-385-F
This case alleges negligent operation of the landfill and permitting combustible gases to escape onto property.

Case tried and Jonesboro lost. Jonsboro offered to pay the judgment of \$387,500, plus tax refund of \$18,901.60 to Edwards' lawyer. Edwards appealed, but the appeal the been dismissed.

Plaintiff filed a Complaint and Amended Complaint in Federal Court in September of 2009; Jonesboro's Motion to Dismiss granted June 1, 2010; Plaintiff has appealed; Briefs have been filed; oral arguments heard on January 12, 2011 in St. Louis; no ruling by the Appeals Court yet.

Jonesboro should be holding the judgment amount to pay Edwards as soon as the federal case appeal is over.

5. Reginald Prunty d/b/a/ En'Vision Nightclub Craighead Circuit No. CV-2010-0892 of Jonesboro v. City of Jonesboro

Unlawful suspension to Operate Business/Nightclub; hearing was held on January 13, 2011 on Temporary Restraining Order; Amended Temporary Restraining Order issued; non-jury trial scheduled for June 28 & 29, 2011

6. Reginald Robinson, et al v. City of Jonesboro, et al Circuit Court Case No. CV-2010-191 December 12, 2008 automobile accident involving City of Jonesboro PD

One-day jury trial set for September 7, 2011; in process of scheduling the depositions of the Plaintiffs

7. Charles H. Simmons v. City of Jonesboro, USDC Case No. 3:10-cv-00226 Arkansas, et al

Plaintiff alleges was terminated motivated by race discrimination; jury trial scheduled for week of January 9, 2012

8. Ronald Worley and Meryl Worley vs. City Craighead Co. Circuit No. CV-2005-421 of Jonesboro, et al.

This lawsuit involves a drainage issue.

Jury trial on September 14 and 15, 2009; Order issued on December 4, 2009, denying Plaintiffs' claim for mandatory injunction; jury verdict in favor of Plaintiffs in the amount of \$15,000, plus interest at rate of 10% from date of entry of judgment; awaiting approval by the Court. Plaintiffs' filed another appeal; currently pending before the Court.

Jonesboro should be holding the \$15,000 necessary to pay their judgment.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Best personal regards.

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. Burt Newell

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