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Cc: Kumar, Venus;Sanford, Scott;McGrain, Brian;Lawrence, Mark;Coleman, Kim
Subject: RE: Tam Arend
Attachments: RE: 1128 Dakin Street; RE: Pictures and emails regarding our conversation 1128 Dakin St; PB18-0591.pdf; RE: Re: Milk Crates violation

ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Mayor,

Our office is quite familiar with Tammie Arend (and I believe Code is quite familiar as well). She pops up about 1-2 times every year with wild accusations. In 2017 she had a dead tree in her yard that she wanted the City to remove for her and asserted that the neighbor had trash in their backyard that resulted in her child (aka her dog) contracted leprosy from rodents living in the trash. Ultimately this ended with Joe meeting with Mr. Arend and working with her to have the tree removed.

Then in 2018 she applied for and received a Homeowner Rehabilitation Program grant to repair her roof. Under this program the City bids out the work and a qualified contractor is selected to perform the work. To the best of my recollection the work was performed and BSO did final out the roof permit. Further, I recall that Code has gone out since she started making complaints about mold but that no evidence of mold was found in the home.

Then in late 2018 she sent a strange email asserting that Code officers pocket the money for every ticket they write, that a neighbor stole a bike and then bribed her landlord, and that she was working closely was Martin Mashon (aka the CATA trial from a while back). See Milk Crates violation email attached.

At this point I don't know what further the City can do for Ms. Arend. I suspect that many of her concerns don't actually exist, such as the mold issue. I don't think that OCA can speak with Ms. Arend about legal options and whether she can sue the City as that would constitute legal advice. She is not entitled to compensation from the City for the roof work that was completed by an independent contractor and was found to be adequate. Perhaps Mark Lawrence can simply provide a copy of the attached roof permit and direct her to contact the contractor listed on the permit if she has concerns about the quality of the work completed? (FYI she made a FOIA request in December 2019 for this information but failed the good faith deposit so she never received any records).

Thanks,
Amanda