



Los Angeles Housing Department

COMPLIANCE DIVISION - REAP/UMP

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11/10/2009

Honorable Members of City Council
City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
Attention: City Clerk

REMOVAL OF PROPERTIES FROM THE RENT ESCROW ACCOUNT PROGRAM (REAP)

The Los Angeles Housing Department recommends the termination of the rent reductions and the termination of the escrow account for the properties listed below, thereby removing the properties from the RENT ESCROW ACCOUNT PROGRAM (REAP).

1. Case No. **150037** represents property at **1322 S REDONDO BLVD**. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on **9/25/2008**. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the **Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit**. Further, the **Inner City Law Center** has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
2. Case No. **242040** represents property at **1451 E 53RD ST**. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on **9/3/2009**. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the **Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit**. Further, the **Coalition for Economic Survival** has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
3. Case No. **165312** represents property at **1635 E 109TH ST A.K.A 1637 E 109TH ST**. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on **5/15/2008**. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the **Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit**. Further, the **Inquilinos Unidos** has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
- ✓ CD 13 4. Case No. **237377** represents property at **2139 W CLINTON ST A.K.A 2141 W CLINTON ST**. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on **6/24/2009**. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the **Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit**. Further, the **Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice** has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
5. Case No. **7213** represents property at **236 W 53RD ST**. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on **12/22/2005**. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the **Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit**. Further, the **Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice** has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.

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6. Case No. 236384 represents property at 4507 W ROSEWOOD AVE. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on 7/8/2009. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit. Further, the Coalition for Economic Survival has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
7. Case No. 193874 represents property at 6550 S HAAS AVE 2116 W 65TH PL. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on 10/30/2008. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit. Further, the Los Angeles Housing Law Project has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.
8. Case No. 220925 represents property at 813 N MOTT ST. The Notice of Acceptance was sent on 7/8/2009. Since that time, the owner of the indicated property has corrected the cited deficiencies. The corrections have been verified by the Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit. Further, the Coalition for Economic Survival has verified that all tenant issues at the property have been addressed.

The Los Angeles Housing Department requests the City Council to consider this matter as soon as possible for the purpose of removing the properties from the REAP.

RUSHMORE D. CERVANTES
GENERAL MANAGER

By: 

Marc Lipton, Manager
Rent Escrow Account Program

RDC:RB:ML:jp

Attachments: Resolutions



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Honorable Eric Garcetti
Council Member, Thirteenth District
Room 470, City Hall Office

Attention: Sarah Dusseault

PROPERTY RECOMMENDED FOR REMOVAL FROM THE RENT ESCROW ACCOUNT PROGRAM (REAP)

The Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) is recommending to the City Council the termination of the rent reductions and the termination of the escrow account for the units placed into the REAP program at the following address: **2139 W CLINTON ST A.K.A 2141 W CLINTON ST (Case No. 237377)**. The LAHD Code Enforcement Unit has signed off on all orders affecting the units and the common areas and there are no other outstanding orders affecting the units or the common areas. The **Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice** has verified that all tenant issues have been addressed. In addition, the utility charges pertaining to the property have been paid to the satisfaction of the Department of Water and Power. Attached is the referral letter listing the outstanding deficiencies noted by the citing department. The matter is scheduled to be heard by the City Council on **11/17/2009**.

Should you or your staff need additional information, please call the REAP Unit at (213) 808-8500.

RUSHMORE D. CERVANTES
GENERAL MANAGER

Attachments: Referral Notice

Case Activity Report

CASE #: 237377

APN: 5402038020	<u>2141 W CLINTON ST</u>	Case Sub Type	Le
CD: 13	<u>Los Angeles 90026</u>		Di
Census Tract: 195710	LUPAMS / BOE:	Source Complaint	Re
RSU:	DEUTSCHE BANK NATL TRUST CO	Inspector Steve Yen	Ta
HPOZ:	TRSECURITIZED TRUST 2006 WM4	Case Manager Ronald Diaz	H
Total Units (LUPAMS): 2	00701 CORPORATE CENTER DR	Phone No. (323) 226-9810	M
Total Units (LAHD): 2	MC NC4743#	Owner Information	[
Total SCEP Exemptions:	RALEIGH NC 27607		
	LAHD:		
	DEUTSCHE BK TR SERIES 2006-		
	WM4 C/O US REAL ESTATE		
	SERVICES ATTN MEGAN BRANDT		
	25520 COMMERCECENTRE DR 2ND		
	FLOOR		
	LAKE FOREST CA 92630		

Initial Inspection Date	3/12/2009	Referred to Health Dept.
View NTC/Substandard Print Date	3/24/2009	Referred to Building & Safety
Compliance Date	5/15/2009	Referred to Sr. Inspector 5/19/2009
NTC Reinspection Date	5/18/2009	Referred to Pr. Inspector 6/2/2009
Inspector Extension		Referred to CM 6/5/2009
Sr. Inspector Extension		PMTF
View Photos	5/18/2009	Refer To Hearing 6/8/2009
Supporting Documents of approved use		Notice of GM Hearing 6/24/2009
View Other		REAP Appeal Due Date 7/9/2009
View Owner Matrix		REAP Appeal Received Date
View Tenant Matrix		NOA/REAP Acceptance Date 7/29/2009
View FTC	6/8/2009	GM Hearing Date 8/5/2009
View Substandard Document #		Referred To Legal Date 9/2/2009
Substandard Record Date		Referred to CA Date
Substandard Termination Date		CA Filed Date
View FTB Document #		Remaining Violations 0
FTB Record Date		All Violations Resolved Date 10/22/2009
FTB Termination Date		CODE Suspend Date
FTB Cancellation Date		Outreach Contractor Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice
View REAP Document #		CM Outreach Request Date
REAP Record Date		Outreach Finding Positive
View Sr. Appeal		Positive Report Date 10/8/2009
View Re-Inspection Report		Scheduled Council Date
		REAP Case Balance 0
		ESCROW Account Closed Date

Effective	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Referred	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sign Off	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REAP Closed Date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amount	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Orders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Log	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notices	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View Docs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View REAP Acct Info	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ins	
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STATUS REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Council Date: 11/17/2009

To: Honorable Members of City Council

From: Marc Lipton
Manager, Rent Escrow Account Program

Date: 11/10/2009

REAP Case No.: 237377

Address: 2139 W CLINTON ST A.K.A 2141 W CLINTON ST

CD#: 13

Owner: Deutsche BK TR Series 2006 - WM4 C/O US Real Estate Services
Attn: Megan Brandt

No. of units: 2

No. of units cited: 2

Citing Agency: Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit

Violations: Weatherproofing, Maintenance, Electrical, Plumbing/Gas

Recommendation: REMOVAL

Effective date: 3/12/2009

Background:

On 6/8/2009, LAHD received the referral from the Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit listing outstanding Weatherproofing, Maintenance, Electrical, Plumbing/Gas violations with an effective date of 3/12/2009. The owner failed to comply and therefore was referred to REAP.

The notice of acceptance into REAP was sent on 6/24/2009, placing the property into REAP.

Update:

On 10/22/2009, the LAHD Code Enforcement Unit provided documentation signing off the property. On 10/8/2009, the Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice verified that all tenant issues have been addressed.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has made a commitment to preserve the City's housing stock in safe and sanitary conditions using code enforcement and encouraging landlord compliance with respect to the maintenance and repair of residential buildings; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 173810, (REAP) was adopted by the City Council and Mayor to be cumulative to and in addition to any other remedy available at law, to enforce the purposes of the Housing Code and to encourage compliance by landlords with respect to the maintenance and repair of residential buildings, structures, premises and portions of those buildings, structures, premises; and

WHEREAS, the owner(s) of the property located at **2139 W CLINTON ST A.K.A 2141 W CLINTON ST**, hereinafter "the subject property", was cited for violations which caused the placement of the property into the Rent Escrow Account Program, (REAP Case No. **237377**); and

WHEREAS, the property owner has corrected the cited violations and the staff of the Los Angeles Housing Department have verified compliance with regard to the above mentioned REAP Case; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has paid to the satisfaction of the Department of Water and Power any electric service and/or water charges; and

WHEREAS, the **Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice** verified that all tenant issues have been addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Housing Department is recommending closing the REAP escrow account, terminating the rent reductions and that the City Council allow the Los Angeles Housing Department to release escrow funds as provided for in the REAP Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, LAMC section 162.08 (d) through (g) (REAP) provides recovery by the Los Angeles Housing Department of administrative fees and penalties including outstanding rent registration fees and penalties, inspection fees, added inspection costs or administrative costs, and pre-paid monitoring fees for two annual inspections beyond the initial inspection and re-inspections included in the Systematic Code Enforcement fee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL THAT:

All orders affecting the units and the common areas have been signed off by the appropriate Enforcement Agency; that there are no other outstanding orders affecting the units or common areas of the building, and all electric service and/or water charges pertaining to the property have been paid to the satisfaction of the Department of Water and Power.

FURTHERMORE, City Council terminates the rent reductions and pursuant to Section 162.08F the rent will be restored to the original level 30 days after the Department mails the tenants the notice of the restoration.

IN ADDITION, City Council terminates the rent escrow account and the funds in the escrow account shall be paid to the extent available in the following order: Administrative fees pursuant to Section 162.07B1 that have not yet been collected, any outstanding fees and penalties imposed pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter XV of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance, any outstanding rent registration fees in an RSO building and any penalties thereto pursuant to Section 151.05, any remaining funds shall be returned to the current landlord.

SPECIFICALLY, the subject property shall be removed from the Rent Escrow Account Program and the Controller is authorized to expend funds from the Code Enforcement Trust Fund #41M to reduce liability from the REAP Escrow Account #2220 upon proper demand by the General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing Department.

IN ADDITION, the Los Angeles Housing Department shall conduct an expedited systematic inspection of the subject property and impose inspection fees and administrative costs associated with such inspections; the owner of the subject property shall prepay the Los Angeles Housing Department for two annual inspections beyond the initial inspection and re-inspection included in the Systematic Code Enforcement fee for the subject property. Termination of the REAP recording, filed with the County Recorder's Office, and release of the escrow funds to the owner of the subject property shall be conditioned on the payment of all outstanding fees, penalties, and costs to the Los Angeles Housing Department.

REAP RESOLUTION

COUNCIL FILE NO.: _____

CD: 13

REMOVAL INCLUSION _____ RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS _____

CITED BY: Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit

ADDRESS: 2139 W CLINTON ST A.K.A 2141 W CLINTON ST

CASE NO.: 237377

EFFECTIVE DATE: 3/12/2009

TYPE OF VIOLATION(S): Weatherproofing, Maintenance, Electrical, Plumbing/Gas

ASSESSOR ID NO.: 5402038020

REGISTRATION NO. NONE

OTHER REAP-RELATED ACTIVITIES AND/OR PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS:

None

COMMENTS: The Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice verified that all tenant issues have been addressed.