

**Utility Review Board Hearing: July 2019
July 9, 2019**

Account: Ron Crownover 1232 Maryland Ave.

Dispute: Mr. Crownover received an Intent to Lien letter for the above property. He amount owed is \$1559.09. The tenant is currently still living there. The tenant was notified of high consumption on August 7, 2018 and again on Sept. 5, 2018, he stated that he notified his landlord. Water was turned off for non-payment on October 29, 2018. Work Orders have verified that the property was occupied. No water or garbage charges have occurred since November 2018. Mr. Crownover states he was unaware of the situation. He was dealing with his ill wife, who passed away in May, 2019. There is a court date set for July 19, 2019 for eviction.

Decision: The Board decided that upon eviction and after the bill is paid on old and current charges, the penalties after the shut off will be waived in the amount of \$147.75 as per requested by Mr. Crownover.

Account: John Reed 2380 Sunset Blvd #2

Dispute: Mr. Reed received an Intent to Lien letter for a balance at the above property. He is arguing that we should have turned it off sooner and does not want to pay the bill. This property has a curb box that services two separate units, therefore it cannot be shut off at the curb box. The meter has to be removed from the dwelling. Access was not given to the property by the tenant or the landlord. The phone number we had on record for the landlord was a non-working number. We were able to remove the meter in February 2019. The last bill for water usage was from February 4, 2019 to March 11, 2019. The tenant was ordered by the court to leave the premises by April 29, 2019, which the landlord states that he left on that date. Mr. Reed requested that all charges after the tenant vacated the property to be waived.

Decision: The board decided that all charges after the date of eviction will be waived of \$18.75. The remaining balance must be paid or a lien will be placed on the property.

The following did not show or cancel. No further hearings will be allowed:

**Russell Hunt 267 Gramercy – Burst Meter Charge
2512 Cleveland- past due bill from tenant**

July 23, 2019

Account: James Williams 721 Adams St.

Dispute: Mr. Williams received Intent to Lien letter for the property located at 721 Adams St. He is disputing the amount since he purchased the home on October 30, 2018 and no one has lived there to his knowledge. He had an attorney run the title report before he purchased it and it was a clean title. He did not know of the City's Ordinance 2016-44, which states "any conveyance of title shall be subject to any past due or then current but unpaid water, wastewater and sanitation charges."

Decision: The board decided that pursuant to Ordinance 2016-44 the bill needs paid or a lien will be placed on the above property.

Account: Brian Stachyra 1226 Wellesley Ave.

Dispute: Brian resides at the above property. He was in the hospital for a few months and during that time there was a pipe that burst. Consumption was 67,000 gallons of water and the amount of the bill was \$1842.37. Brian did not pay the bill and did not notify the water department that he was in the hospital and the water was disconnected for non-payment. He would like some relief on the bill and to have a payment plan.

Decision: The Board decided that no relief can be granted since relief was not requested within sixty days of the occurrence according to the City's water policy Section X.b.

Account: Keith A Patrick 328 S. 5th St. Apt. 1

Dispute: Mr. Patrick is the property owner of the above property. He received an Intent to Lien Letter and would like to pay \$250.00 a month until it is paid. He already made a payment of \$250.00 on the account.

Decision: The Board decided to allow the payment plan of \$250.00 per month until paid due to the fact that he has already made a payment.

The following did not show or call to cancel hearing:

Roger Fisher 1305 Oak Grove Ave.

No further hearings will be allowed on this matter.