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# **Foreclosure Recommendation Report**

The Revenue Division recommends foreclosure on **2626 N Baldwin St** for delinquent City Liens. The lien accounts meet delinquency requirements for foreclosure and no mitigating factors were discovered that would prevent foreclosure or indicate that an adjustment of the lien amount is in order.

### **Summary Information**

Site Address: 2626 N Baldwin St

Recorded Property Owner: Randy Butler, Richard Butler, and Florence Butler

**Property ID:** R166324

Lien Account Numbers: 174332 and 176521

Type of Liens: Code Enforcement Use of Property: Residential Improved Amount of Delinquent Liens: \$4,590.77 Payoff Amount Recommended: \$4,590.77

### **General Information**

This property is included on the list of "Distressed Vacant Properties" provided by the Bureau of Development Services and identified as priority for foreclosure. Development Services and the Portland Police Bureau have expressed concerns that these properties are nuisances to the neighborhoods where they are located. In many instances, the Police Bureau is called to disturbances at these properties frequently. Neighbors complain that many of these properties are inhabited by unlawful occupants and there are commonly drug activities taking place, which jeopardizes the public health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood.

Many of these properties are investment properties owned by financial institutions or absent owners who have no vested interest in the neighborhood effects such distressed properties have on the community. They are demonstrated hazards and magnets for crime. For these reasons, the Revenue Division's recommendations for these distressed and egregious properties are concise and generally maintain the amount owed as is with no recommended reduction in lien amount, except in cases where mitigating circumstances point toward improved property owner compliance with a reduced



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lien amount.

#### Lien Details

Lien No.	Assessment Date	Lien Type	Balance
174332	8/18/2022	Code Enforcement	\$3,858.19
176521	3/18/2024	Code Enforcement	\$732.58
Total amount owed as of May 17, 2024			\$4,590.77

Please note the balance will be recalculated on the sale date.

### **Property Summary**

Our records indicate that all property owners are deceased. We've been unable to identify a next of kin, nor do we have any estate information. This property has squatters living in the property, neighbors are filing noise complaints as there is what is believed to be a generator running at all times of the day and night. There is trash and personal items all over the exterior of the property.

#### Police Involvement

Between December 3, 2022, and May 9, 2024, there were 5 calls for service at this address. Outside of the listed address there were also 5 calls made within 200 feet of this property. The majority of these calls were for disorder.

#### Evaluation Criteria

City Code 5.3.060 states that "the Revenue Division may evaluate individual delinquent open liens to develop recommendations on revising the payment amount of the lien and the payment terms.

Criteria (City Code 5.30.060)	Yes	No	Unknown
Property owner has committed prior City Code violations or has a	✓		
delinquent account			
Property owner has taken steps to correct violation or resolve any		✓	
delinquency			



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Property owner's financial condition allows to resolve the problem			✓
Violation of high gravity and magnitude			
Violation was intentional or negligent caused by the property owner		✓	
Violation was repeated or continuous			
High degree of difficulty to correct the violation or delinquency			
Economic or financial benefit accrued to property owner as a result of the			<b>✓</b>
violation			
Property owner is cooperative and making an effort to correct the violation		✓	
Cost to the City to investigate and correct the violation			
Any other relevant factor			

The Revenue Division has reviewed the information related to this property and its history of violations using the criteria listed above. The office found no mitigating factors that would suggest that a reduced lien amount would encourage improved compliance, property improvement, or elimination of hazards.

#### Communication with Owner

The Liens Team has mailed out 7 letters to the Owner's Estate from August 19, 2022, to May 28, 2024. I have been unable to locate a next of kin.