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**Meeting Minutes for Council Member Reginald L. Brown and Council Member Lori N. Boyer on Tuesday, September 17th, 2013**

**Topic:** Municipal Code Compliance Budget

**Location:** City Council Offices, Conference Room B

**In Attendance:** Present were CM Lori Boyer, District 5, CM Reginald Brown, District 10, Vice President CM Clay Yarborough, District 1, CM Warren Jones, District 9, Kim Scott, Municipal Code Compliance, Terrance Ashanta-Barker, Director of Neighborhoods, Kim Taylor, Auditor, Kirk Sherman, Auditor, Allison Adams, ECA District 5. Please see attached sign in sheet for other attendees.

**Meeting Convened:** 4:17 p.m.

Council Member Boyer called the meeting to order. CM Boyer explained her proposed amendment to appropriate $450,000 from the City’s Vacant and Foreclosed Property Registry to Municipal Code Compliance for code enforcement and mitigation related to blight, deteriorating, foreclosed, or abandoned properties and reducing the transfer from Special Council Contingency to MCC by $250,000 and increasing the budget for Municipal Code Compliance by $200,000. The proposed amendment would restore 4 currently approved unfunded MCC positions and the remainder for contract services for property maintenance. Cindy Laquidara from the Office of General Counsel confirmed via email to CM Boyer that the Vacant and Foreclosed Property Registry money could be used in this manner.

Council Member Brown explained that he would like all 7 currently approved unfunded MCC positions restored and these positions would be funded through the Special Council Contingency fund.

CM Boyer and CM Brown discussed that CM Boyer would propose her amendment as is and CM Brown would amend his to propose that 3 of the MCC positions be funded. Together, if the amendments are passed, all 7 positions would be restored to MCC.

Kim Scott and Terrance Ashanta-Barker explained the tasks of Municipal Code Compliance officers.

CM Yarborough and CM Jones agreed to the need for restoring officer positions to Municipal Code Compliance because of the vast number of nuisance and abandoned properties in the City.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.