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A STRUCTURAL INSPECTION REPORT

FOR

HOUSTON AREA URBAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

807 15TH AVENUE N

TEXAS CITY, TEXAS



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INVOICE NUMBER:

19-16834

INVOICE DATE:

July 19, 2019

TO:

Houston Area Urban Community Dev. Corp.

Attn: Benny Rodriguez 5330 Griggs Road Ste. A104

Houston, TX 77021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED

A Structural Inspection Report
807 15th Ave. N
Texas City, TX 77590

Amount Paid

\$ 450.00

THANK YOU

Facing Property from Ave N

DIRECTIONS Front - Right - Left - Rear

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY 807 15th Ave N Texas City, TX

One-Story

3 Bedrooms; 2 Baths

No Garage

Hardi-Plank and Wood Siding Exterior

Composition Shingle Roof Slab-on-Grade Foundation Wood Framed Structure

DATE & TIME OF INSPECTION July 26, 2019; afternoon

PERSONS PRESENT Owner's Representative

SOIL & WEATHER CONDITIONS Expansive soil in the general area. 90° F.;

dry

SCOPE OF THIS INSPECTION A Visual Structural Inspection of the

Foundation and Superstructure with

Corrective Recommendations of Identified

Deficiencies.

EXTERIOR

Drainage

No gutters. Soil is sloped adequately to drain water away from the foundation perimeter. Soil is in contact with siding at the sides and rear.

Slab-on-Ground Foundation

Foundation has been previously repaired evidenced by patched concrete repair holes at the front porch and rear patio (documents not on site). It appears that foundation repair piers have been installed around the exterior perimeter.

Exterior Hardi-Plank and Wood Siding

There is no evidence of excessive movement or settlement on the exterior siding. Siding base areas are open at rear exposing rotted wall studs and bottom plate.

Roof

There is no evidence of excessive movement or settlement on the roof's surface. Several rafter tail ends are rotted at rear cornice.

Front Porch

Porch wood structural support posts are not secure properly at base.

INTERIOR

Floors (Measured with a Ziplevel &/or 4' Spirit Level)

Floors are generally level (See floor elevation drawing). Floor surface elevation changes on the rear left bedroom carpet, right center bedroom carpet, dining room vinyl and front right bath vinyl (see drawing). Floor surface has fallen in at rear right dining room.

Walls and Ceilings

There is evidence of movement on interior walls and ceilings. There are vertical wallboard joint cracks above and below windows and above doors throughout. There are vertical wall corner and wall – ceiling taped joint cracks as several locations.

Interior Doors

Doors all open and close properly except door sticks in door frame at the left center bedroom entry and door does not fit squarely in door frame at the right bedroom entry.

Attic Area

Wood structural attic area members are installed and braced adequately. There is evidence of additional bracing installed at the wood structural attic area members. Several rafters have separated approximately 1" from ridge board junctions at the front center and have been repaired (spliced).

CONCLUSION

The previous foundation repair appears to have leveled and stabilized adequately the foundation of this house. Floors are generally level and most doors open and close properly. I do not recommend additional foundation repair at this time.

Providing proper drainage around the foundation perimeter during the wet rainy season preventing water from ponding around the foundation perimeter and applying moisture to the soil around the foundation during the dry summer season stabilizes slab-on-grade foundation systems.

RECOMMENDED ITEMS FOR REPAIR

Exterior Hardi-Plank and Wood Siding

- Repair rotted wall studs and bottom plates at rear open wall area.
- Grade soil to slope away from foundation and eliminate wood contact with soil at sides and rear.

Roof

Repair rotted rafter tail ends at rear cornice as needed.

Front Porch

• Secure front porch wood structural support posts properly at base.

Plumbing Leak Test

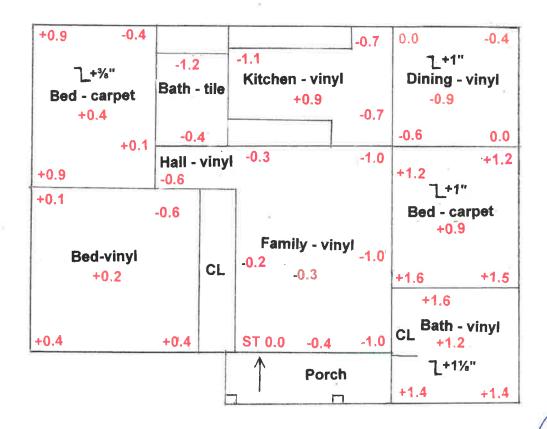
• Below ground plumbing leak test should be conducted. If plumbing leaks are identified the plumbing leaks should be repaired.

This inspection addressed only those components and conditions that are present, visible and accessible at the time of the inspection. The inspection cannot anticipate future events or changes in performance due to changes in use or occupancy. Attic and crawl space areas are not fully accessed. Inspection for mold, asbestos and other environmental hazards of any kind were not inspected. Portions of the building concealed or obstructed by personal property were not inspected. Conditions contained inside of walls or buried in the ground were not inspected.

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807 15TH AVENUE N TEXAS CITY, TX

Floor slopes measured with ZipLevel

ST = 0.0 Start Point

7- Approximate floor elevation change

1.0 = One Inch Elevation Scale Floor Plan No Scale





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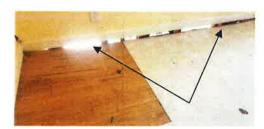


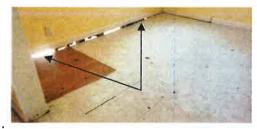


Porch wood structural support posts are not secure properly at base

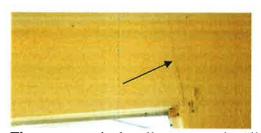


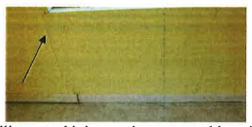
Location of floor elevation drawing Ziplevel start point (ST 0.0)





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Door does not fit squarely in door frame at the right bedroom entry.





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