City moves to shut down operations of four sober living homes

The City of Costa Mesa has taken legal action against the owners and operators of four sober living homes who continue to operate the homes in violation of the City's municipal code.

The City Council unanimously approved taking the action against the owners and operators after the facilities each continued to operate after having failed to obtain the required permits.

"We are putting these unlawful operators on notice that we will not allow them to openly flout our ordinances," Mayor Sandy Genis said. "We fully support the rights of individuals to seek recovery from addiction, but our ordinances are designed to minimize the concentration of those homes and avoid disrupting the atmosphere of our neighborhoods."

In the complaint filed in Superior Court, the City maintains that the owners and operators of Casa Capri Recovery Center and Casa Capri, LLC at 269 and 271 16th Place in Costa Mesa are maintaining a public nuisance and should be shut down.

Also named in the complaint are Jeremy Broderick and Mellissa Goodmon based on their role with Casa Capri, and Zackary Irani and Timothy Carr, each as owners of one of the two properties. Each of the Casa Capri homes consists of 14 recovery beds. The City filed the complaint after their requests for conditional use permits for these properties were ultimately denied by the City Council.

In a separate complaint filed in Superior Court, the City contends that the owners of the two sober living homes

operated by Ohio House LLC at 647 and 653 Joann Street in Costa Mesa are maintaining a public nuisance and should be shut down.

Also named in the Ohio House complaint is Brandon Stump based on his role with Ohio House, and Richard Perlin, Nancy Perlin and Dolores Perlin, each as owners of one of the two properties.

The Ohio House properties consist of six recovery beds each. The City filed the complaint after the facilities continued to operate after the property owners withdrew their appeal of the denial of their permit applications.