Bear Hollow Inspections

Property Inspection Report



, San Antonio, Tx 78218 Inspection prepared for: Real Estate Agent: XXXXXXXXX XXXXXX - Real Estate

Date of Inspection: 12/27/2017 Time: 0900 Age of Home: 63 yrs Size: 1074 sqft

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PROPERTY INSPECTION REPORT

Prepared For:		
	(Name of Client)	
Concerning:	San Antonio Tx, 78218	
	(Address or Other Identification of Inspected Propert	y)
Ву:	Erik Sleeper, TREC License #22744	12/27/2017
	(Name and License Number of Inspector)	(Date)

PURPOSE, LIMITATIONS AND INSPECTOR / CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

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- malfunctioning, improperly installed, or missing ground fault circuit protection (GFCI) devices for electrical receptacles in garages, bathrooms, kitchens, and exterior areas;
- malfunctioning arc fault protection (AFCI) devices;
- ordinary glass in locations where modern construction techniques call for safety glass;
- malfunctioning or lack of fire safety features such as smoke alarms, fire-rated doors in certain locations, and functional emergency escape and rescue openings in bedrooms;
- malfunctioning carbon monoxide alarms;
- excessive spacing between balusters on stairways and porches;
- improperly installed appliances;
- improperly installed or defective safety devices;
- lack of electrical bonding and grounding; and
- lack of bonding on gas piping, including corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST).

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- •Ordinary glass in locations where modern construction techniques call for safety glass;
- •The lack of fire safety features such as smoke alarms, fire-rated doors in certain locations, and functional emergency escape and rescue openings in bedrooms;
- •Excessive spacing between balusters on stairways and porches;
- •Improperly installed appliances;
- •Improperly installed or defective safety devices; and
- •Lack of electrical bonding and grounding.

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I. STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS

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Type of Foundation(s):
• Slab foundation

Comments:

• Converted garage does not have the proper slab offset and grading to avoid water infiltration at the wall base.



Foundation at converted garage does not provide proper offset to avoid water infiltration

B. Grading and Drainage

Comments:

- Trees too close to structure
- It was observed that the current drainage was directed towards the house and should slope away from the foundation a minimum of {6"} in a {10'} span
 No gutter systems were observed and should be considered
- Grade level at or above the sill plate level and should be corrected

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Driveway surface cracked and uneven



Grading slopes toward house





Sidewalk cracked and uneven



Grading slopes toward house



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- Type(s) of Roof Covering:
 Asphalt composition shingles noted Viewed From:
- Roof

Comments:

- The home was not equipped with gutters
- Some tree contact was observed on the roof covering. It is recommended that these be cleared to avoid mechanical damage to roof covering.
- Some exposed nail heads were observed and should be properly caulked.
- Flashing material was observed to be missing and/or damaged in some areas of the roof.



Vegetation contact with roof



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Gable vent installed improperly



exposed nail in roofing should be caulked



Flashing separating from wall



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roof nails need to be properly seated under ridge cap



D. Roof Structure and Attics

Viewed From:

- Attic
- Ladder

- Approximate Average Depth of Insulation:
 Insulation is less than 2 inches deep Comments:
- There is visible nesting material and rodent droppings in the attic area. The cause and remedy of this condition should be further evaluated and corrected as necessary by a qualified Pest Control professional
- The attic insulation is lower than typical and it is recommended that additional insulation be added to acheive the minimum of an R-30 rating



No guttering found on house



Flashing separating from house at roof junction

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Minor rot to roof decking at eave



Very low level of insulation in attic



Slight rot found at soffit



Evidence of pests in attic

E. Walls (Interior and Exterior)

Wall Materials:

- Exterior brick veneer and/or structural walls noted
- Asbestos type siding was used during the time this house was built and can be a health hazard if this type of siding is cut, broken and/or removed releasing harmful fibers.
- Drywall walls noted on interior

Comments:

- The exterior veneer / cladding has some deterioration and/or damage
- There is evidence of painting and patching to the interior finish which could limit the Inspectors visual observations and ability to render an accurate opinion as to the performance of the structure
- Interior wall stress / joint cracks were observed and the cause and/or remedy should be further evaluated and corrected as necessary

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Damage to exterior siding at foundation



Patched drywall damage in living room



Exposed wall should be properly covered to avoid water infiltration into house



Settlement cracking at door openings

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Rot at baseboard in converted garage.



F. Ceilings and Floors

Ceiling and Floor Materials:

- Ceiling is made of drywall with popcorn and/or texture finish
 Floors had carpet covering in various locations
- Floors had laminate and/or engineered wood flooring in one or more locations
- Floors had tile and/or stone covering in one or more areas

- All components were found to be performing and in satisfactory condition at the time of the inspection
- Ceiling stress and/or joint cracks were observed
- Slab not visible due to floor coverings



Drywall crack and sagging in bedroom

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✓ G. Doors (Interior and Exterior)

Comments:

- Exterior doors at one or more locations were observed to need proper weatherstripping and/or bottom sweep
- Some doors were observed to be sticking, not closing properly, out-of-level, frame damage or missing and/or non-functional hardware
- A closet door was observed to be off track
- One or more doors were observed to drag on the floor covering
- Folding door{s} present
- Stationary door latch did not operate
- Some doors were observed to be sticking, not closing properly, out-of-level, frame damage or missing and/or non-functional hardware



Front door deadbolt operates but does not seat in strike plate.



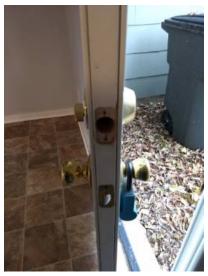


Doors sticking in multiple locations



Bypass closet doors difficult to operate.

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Missing parts on rear door deadbolt

H. Windows

- Window Types:

 Windows are made of aluminum

 Windows are single hung type

Comments:

• All window components were found to be performing and in satisfactory condition at the time of the inspection



Window trim needs caulking



Missing closet door

I. Stairways (Interior and Exterior)

Comments:

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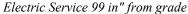
- The service panel is NOT completely and/or properly labeled. All breakers must be specifically identified as to appliances, lighting and receptacles
- The service panel did not have a main breaker and further evaluation is recommended
- Recommend upgrading the electrical service to meet current standards and ensure safety.
- Service entrance wires over the side or rear yard should be a minimum of {10'} above the ground and {12'} above the driveway. The current overhead service is 8'3" above grade.

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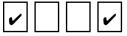
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Sub panel needs evaluation by licensed electrician



B. Branch Circuits, Connected Devices, and Fixtures

Type of Wiring:

- Copper wiring
- Comments:
- GFCI receptacles were not observed at the time of the inspection
- One or more of the kitchen countertop receptacles appear not to be protected by a GFCI device. Current standards require all countertop outlets have ground fault protection
- Under current standards; exterior GFCI protected receptacles require a weatherproof bubble type cover
- Inadequate smoke alarm coverage was observed and it is recommended that additional smoke detectors and CO2 detectors be installed in accordance with current building standards. The NFPA {National Fire and Protection Agency} recommends one smoke alarm on each level, every bedroom and adjoining hallway, above stairwells and a CO2 detector in the garage and outside each bedroom with fuel fired appliances. A primary fire extinguisher is recommended on each level with a UL rating of 2-B:C.
- Unprotected and/or unsecured romex wiring was observed in close proximity to the attic access which is prone to accidental damage and should be corrected {IRC 3802.3.1}
- All appliances should be on individual dedicated circuits
- One or more of the receptacles were noted as an "open ground" and should be corrected

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240 volt outlet in living room



Ungrounded washer outlet



Open ground outlet



No lighting in rear entryway.

III. HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS

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- Type of Systems:
 Electric forced hot air
- The home has a split system.

Energy Sources:
• The furnace is electrically powered

- The power at the location for the HVAC system was off so function of HVAC could not be tested.
- The air filter was dirty and should be replaced
- Exterior condenser unit was removed at the time of inspection.
- Unit was manufactured in 2014
- Condensate drain line was installed through hallway and along a baseboard. Proper function of drain line should be tested due to unusual routing.



Furnace unit does not have enough clearance to remove.



Condensate drain from HVAC runs through hallway



Dirty filter



Build out for condensate drain line

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- Type of Systems:
 Electric forced hot air
 The home has a split system.

Comments:

• The outside condenser unit was removed at the time of inspection.



Previous condensate drain line connection



Comments:

• Filter is dirty and should be replaced

IV. PLUMBING SYSTEM

A. Plumbing Supply, Distribution System and Fixtures

Location of Water Meter:

• North side

Location of Main Water Supply Valve:

- North side
- Front near sidewalk

Comments:

- All components were found to be performing and in satisfactory condition on the day of the inspection
- One or more of the exterior water hose bibs {faucets} was not equipped with a back flow and/or anti-siphon {vacuum breaker} device. An anti-siphon device prevents unsanitary water from being pulled back through a garden hose and/or lawn sprinklers and contaminating the household water system
- One or more of the exterior hose bibs {faucets} was observed to be leaking
- The anti static water pressure readings are typically at {40-70 psi} in the normal operating range. Pressure exceeding these limits or higher than {70 psi} is likely to put excessive pressure on the household water system. It is recommended that a licensed plumber and/or the city water department further evaluate in the event a pressure reducing valve is required for safety concerns. The service at this house read 100psi at the exterior hose hib

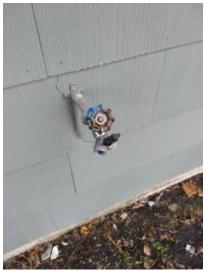


Main Water shutoff



Water Meter

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Cannot remove wye from hose bib.



leaking hose bib faucet



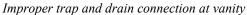
100 psi static water pressure



Sink drain plug inoperable

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Tub drain did not function properly.

B. Drains, Wastes, and Vents

Comments:

- The exterior main cleanout was located at the front of the structure
- Cast iron pipes were observed in the drain, waste and vent system. Full evaluation of this type of material is beyond the scope of this inspection due to the latent defects with cast iron. It is recommended to have the integrity of this drain system evaluated by a qualified plumber

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Washer drain at improper height



Energy Source:

- Water heater is natural gasWater heater is located in the laundry room

Capacity:
• Unit is 40 gallons

Comments:

- The gas service was turned off at the time of the inspection so a visual inspection of the components was observed
- The gas valve was in the off position at the time of the inspection
- Overflow line is **PVQ**



Water heater gas supply was shut off



19 May 2017 40gal. Ser. #q211703625 model xg40s06ec34u0

in 1991.

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No anti tip device on range.



Oven 325 deg. set at 350 deg.

E. Microwave Ovens Comments: • Microwave functioned properly at the time of inspection. • The microwave is mounted below the upper cabinet above the range F. Mechanical Exhaust Vents and Bathroom Heaters Comments: G. Garage Door Operators Door Type: Comments: H. Dryer Exhaust Systems

Comments:

• The dryer exhaust vent is required to terminate at the exterior of the structure. The vent pipe should not exceed {25 ft} for electric dryers and typically {35 ft} for gas units. Metal ducting is recommended and there should be no screws penetrating the duct that may collect lint. The dryer vent should terminate outside with a backdraft damper and no screens.

✓ I. Other

Observations:

• Washing machine was observed to have the drain standpipe lower than industry standards which may result in a cross connection in the water supply system. Current standards require the the standpipe at {18"-30"} above the finished floor and the trap at {6"-18"}

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	VI.	OPTIONAL SYSTEMS		
	A. Landscape Irriga	ntion (Sprinkler) Syst	ems	
	Comments:			
	B. Swimming Pools,	Spas, Hot Tubs, and	Equipment	
	Type of Construction: Comments:			
	C. Outbuildings			
	Materials: Comments:			
	D. Private Water W	ells (A coliform analy	ysis is recommended)	
	Type of Pump: Type of Storage Equipm Comments:	nent:		
	E. Private Sewage D	Disposal (Septic) Syste	ems	
	Type of System: Location of Drain Field: Comments:			
	F. Other			
	Comments:			

Glossary

Term	Definition
GFCI	A special device that is intended for the protection of personnel by de-energizing a circuit, capable of opening the circuit when even a small amount of current is flowing through the grounding system.
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride, which is used in the manufacture of white plastic pipe typically used for water supply lines.

Report Summary

STRUCTURAL	SYSTEMS	
Page 4 Item: A	Foundations	• Converted garage does not have the proper slab offset and grading to avoid water infiltration at the wall base.
Page 4 Item: B	Grading and Drainage	• Grade level at or above the sill plate level and should be corrected
Page 6 Item: C	Roof Covering Materials	• Flashing material was observed to be missing and/or damaged in some areas of the roof.
Page 8 Item: D	Roof Structure and Attics	• The attic insulation is lower than typical and it is recommended that additional insulation be added to acheive the minimum of an R-30 rating
ELECTRICAL	SYSTEMS	
Page 14 Item: A	Service Entrance and Panels	• Service entrance wires over the side or rear yard should be a minimum of {10'} above the ground and {12'} above the driveway. The current overhead service is 8'3" above grade.
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APPLIANCES		
Page 23 Item: D	Ranges, Cooktops, and Ovens	• Anti-tip bracket is missing from range installation. All free-standing, slide-in ranges include an anti-tip device and is essential in the safe operation of the range. It provides protection when excess force or weight is applied to an open oven door • Anti-Tip devises became a UL (Underwriters Laboratories) safety standard requirement in 1991.
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