

**MINUTES
CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING**

City Hall, 516 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, FL 34221
October 31, 2023
3:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Regina Kardash, Special Magistrate
Kenneth Sexton, Code Enforcement Officer
Jeff Bowman, Code Enforcement Officer
Penny Johnston, Clerk of the Hearing

Special Magistrate Kardash called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. All people wishing to speak during the Hearing were duly sworn.

1. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

No changes.

2. APPROVE MINUTES

Magistrate Kardash approved the following minutes as written.

- A. Minutes: Trespass Citation Appeal September 26, 2023
- B. Minutes: Code Enforcement Hearing September 26, 2023

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Case No. 23-04

Jason Turner
305 East 4th Street #101
Sanford, FL 32771-1903

Violation Location: 908 26th Avenue West, Palmetto, FL 34221
Codes Violated: Appendix B- Zoning Code, Article VI- Supplemental Regulations, Section 6.7 Swimming Pools (b); Chapter 2 Administration, Article IV, Division 2- Special Magistrate, Section 2-84 (d) serious threat to public safety.

Code Enforcement Officer Ken Sexton reviewed photos and details of the case. Evidence was submitted to the magistrate for her consideration and made a part of these minutes. The issue of the unmaintained, unsecured pool came before the Magistrate quickly due to the threat to public safety, under code section 2-84 (d). Notice of Violation was issued October 10, 2023. Staff recommended the securing of the swimming pool.

Magistrate Kardash reviewed the evidence and verified that there was service to the actual property as well as notice mailed to Sanford, Florida. The respondent was also notified by email.

STIPULATION: Magistrate found that the property was found in violation and that the Respondent was sufficiently noticed because the pool creates a

threat to public health and safety based on Section 2-84 (d). She gave authorization to send this case to the mayor to have the City secure the pool and charge the expense of the repairs to the Respondent at the next hearing.

B. Case No. 23-05

Salah Hijaz
12401 Siltan Peace Drive
Riverview, FL 33579

Violation Location: 908 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, FL 34221
Codes Violated: Chapter 16 Health and Sanitation, Article II, Division 1, Section 16-26
Nuisance

Code Enforcement Officer Ken Sexton reviewed photos and details of the case. Evidence was submitted to the magistrate for her consideration and made a part of these minutes. The initial site visit on June 2, 2023, revealed construction debris, overgrowth, litter, and graffiti on the property. Mr. Sexton emailed the property owner and sent pictures of the violations. The Notice of Opportunity was mailed July 18, 2023, giving the respondent until July 31st to correct. Graffiti on the vacant property was removed, but the debris, litter, and overgrowth has not improved. In spite of multiple attempts, there has been no response from the respondent.

Magistrate Kardash ordered compliance by November 27, 2023, and if by the next hearing date there is no compliance, she will refer the case to Mayor.

4. OLD BUSINESS

none

5. NEW BUSINESS

The next Code Enforcement Hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2023.

6. Magistrate Kardash adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

Minutes approved: November 28, 2023

Regina A. Kardash

Regina A. Kardash, Magistrate