

# City of Miami Springs, Florida

The regular meeting of the Miami Springs **Code Enforcement Board** was held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

# 1) Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Present:	John Bankston Rhonda Calvert Jorge Filgueira Robert Williams
Absent:	Chairman Marlene B. Jimenez Vice Chair Walter Dworak Jacqueline Martinez-Regueira
Also Present:	Code Compliance Officer, Lourdes Taveras Board Secretary, Juan D. Garcia

#### 2) Invocation/Salute to the Flag

All who were present participated in the invocation of the Flag.

#### 3) Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the April 5, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

Board member Filgueira moved to approve the minutes as written. Board member Calvert seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on voice vote.

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### 4) NEW BUSINESS:

1)	Case#	13-1189
-	Address:	298 Glendale Drive
	Owner:	Carlos E. Garcia
	Violation:	93-13 Maintenance of Property - General Maintenance of
		Property
	Action:	Request for Reduction of Fines

Code Compliance Officer Taveras presented the case to the Board.

Board member Bankston asked the property owner why he did not appear in front of the Board to request a reduction of fines after the 60 days that were initially granted on December 15, 2015.

The property owner, Carlos Garcia, explained that he was still was working on getting the yard and carport cleaned in order to come into compliance.

Discussion ensued regarding whether a fine reduction is justified for this case.

Board member Bankston asked if the Mr. Garcia had come into compliance. Code Compliance Officer Taveras notified the Board that the property owner had addressed the areas of the properties that were discussed at the previous meeting and that the property was now in compliance.

Board member Calvert moved to table this case for the next regular meeting of the Code Enforcement Board. Board member Filgueira seconded the motion which passed 4-0 on a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Board member Calvert, Board member Filgueira, Board member Williams, and Board member Bankston voting Yes.

Code Compliance Officer Taveras informed the property owner that the case will be discussed at the next meeting, when a full Board is present. The property must remain in compliance as it will be inspected again before the next meeting.

2) Case#	08-2178
Address:	240 Lenape Drive
Owner:	Enrique J. Aguerrevere
Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit
Action:	Request for Reduction of Fines

Code Compliance Officer Taveras presented the case to the Board.

Board member Bankston asked the property owner if he was aware that there was a fine on the property before he purchased it.

The property owner, Enrique Aguerrevere answered that he was aware of the fines

before purchasing the property but the amount was not disclosed by the auction company. Mr. Aguerrevere added that this property was purchased through an auction.

Board member Williams asked for clarification on how a property was sold by the previous owners if there were fines that were placed on the property. Code Compliance Officer Taveras explained the process to the Board.

Discussion ensued on what an appropriate reduction would be for this property.

Board member Williams moved to reduce the fine to 10% of the amount that was owed to the City. Board member Filgueira seconded the motion which passed 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Board member Calvert, Board member Filgueira, Board member Williams, and Board member Bankston voting Yes.

#### 5) OLD BUSINESS:

1) Case#	14-910
Address:	565 Minola Drive
Owner:	Gabriel & Roseanne Hernandez
Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit

Code Compliance Officer Taveras presented the case to the Board. Code Compliance Officer Taveras noted that this case was back in front of the Board because the property owner has yet to come into compliance and it is up to the Board to come up with an appropriate amount for the fine.

Discussion ensued regarding the amount for the fine that will be placed on the property.

Board member Calvert moved to set a fine of fifty dollars a day starting 60 days from April 5, 2016. Board member Williams seconded the motion which passed 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Board member Calvert, Board member Filgueira, Board member Williams, and Board member Bankston voting Yes.

2)	Case#	14-912
-	Address:	1100 Thrush Avenue
	Owner:	Hector & Hilda Garcia
	Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit

Code Compliance Officer Taveras presented the case to the Board.

Arelys Bofill, daughter of the property owners and resident of the property, explained that she submitted and paid for the permits on the property. The only pending item that is left is for her electrician to send the City's inspector a diagram. She added that she has been working with the City and has complied with all the requests.

Board member Bankston wanted to clarify that Mrs. Bofill was requesting more time to

have everything completed.

Mrs. Bofill confirmed that an extension of time is needed. She requested an additional 30 days.

Board member Calvert moved to grant the property owner 30 days to obtain a building permit. Board member Williams seconded the motion which passed 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Board member Calvert, Board member Filgueira, Board member Williams, and Board member Bankston voting Yes.

3)	Case#	14-1109
-	Address:	1031 Dove Avenue
	Owner:	Marysu Correa
	Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit
	Action:	Permit was issued, property is in Compliance

Code Compliance Officer Taveras provided an update on the case to the Board. On September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 a building permit was issued and the property was in compliance.

4)	Case#	12-1367
-	Address:	171 Navajo Street
	Owner:	Albert & Irene Arends
	Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit
	Action:	Property has an ongoing Lien as 01/22/2016

Code Compliance Officer Taveras provided an update on the case to the Board and noted that the property has an ongoing lien as of January 22, 2016.

5)	Case#	14-1188
-	Address:	200 Azure Way
	Owner:	Azure Way Investment, LLC
	Violation:	151-04 Application for building permit
	Action:	Property has an ongoing Lien as 05/05/2016

Code Compliance Officer Taveras provided an update on the case to the Board and noted that the property has an ongoing lien as of May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

# 6) Council Liaison Report and Request

None at this time.

#### 7) Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Juan D. Garcia Administrative Assistant I Board Secretary

Adopted by the Board on this <u>J</u> day of <u>Feb</u>., 2016. 2017

Marlene B. Jimenez, Chair

Words stricken through have been deleted. <u>Underscored</u> words represent changes. All other words remain unchanged.

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