

#### City of Miami Springs, Florida

The regular meeting of the Miami Springs Code Compliance Board was held on Tuesday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 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 7:04 P.M.

Present:

Chairperson Marlene Jimenez Board Member Jorge Filgueira Board Member Juan Khoury

Board Member Jacqueline Martinez-Regueira

**Board Member Bankston** 

Absent:

Board member Aldrick Diaz

Also Present:

Rosemary Novo, Code Compliance Officer Roberto Quintero, Code Compliance Officer

Jose Arango, City Attorney Mayra Aleman, Board Secretary

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

All who were present participated.

3) Approval of Minutes: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

Minutes of the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

Board Member Filgueira moved to approve the minutes as written. Board Member Bankston seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0 on voice vote.

Board secretary Mayra Aleman swore in everyone giving testimony during the proceedings.

#### 4) OLD BUSINESS

1) Case# 12-1367

Address: 171 Navajo Street

Owner: Albert & Irene Arends & Ocean Bank Violation: 151-04.- Application for building permit.

Code Compliance Officer Quintero presented the case history to the Board.

Joe Galleno, who has power of attorney over 171 Navajo Street due to owners living in Aruba presented a timeline presentation of events to the Board explaining why such delay occurred with the property and why the daily fine went on for 1862 days. Mr. Galleno explained to the Board that the house is under contract to be sold to and the new owners are willing to make the improvements necessary to beautify the home. Mr. Galleno is requesting a fine reduction to help the new buyers. Alex Perez, the potential buyer spoke to the Board explaining that he wanted to raise his family in Miami Springs and wanted to fix the home to live in it not to sell it.

Board Member Khoury asked Mr. Galleno what he thought was a reasonable amount and he said \$5000. Discussion ensued amongst the Board members about reducing the fine to \$15 dollars per day times 1862 days which equaled \$27,930 dollars.

Board member Bankston moved to reduce the fine to \$27,930. Board member Khoury seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 3-2 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Bankston, and Chair Jimenez voted YES. Board member Martinez-Regueira and Board member Filgueira voted NO.

2) Case# 18-1902

Address: 525 De Soto Drive Owner: Hercilia Zayon

Violation: 151-04.- Application for building permit.

Code Compliance Officer Quintero presented the case history to the Board.

Sergio Parinos represented the owner of 525 De Soto Drive and addressed the Board with an update on where they are with the permit process. Board Member Martinez-Regueira asked how much time do they need. Mr. Parinos said they are working with the engineer to comply with the remaining comments to get the permit issued and it should not take them much longer, but a couple of more weeks.

Board member Martinez-Regueira moved to grant until July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 to come into compliance. Board member Filgueira second the motion, which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

3) Case# 20-950

Address: 348 Minola Drive
Owner: Elio A Nunez Paz

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Violation: 151-04.- Application for building permit.

Code Compliance Officer Quintero stated the case is in compliance.

#### 5) NEW BUSINESS

1) Case# 17-2523

Address: 378 Westward Drive

Owner: Miami Springs Baptist Church

Violation: 93-13.- Maintenance of property by owner

Code Compliance Officer Quintero presented the case history to the Board.

Pastor William owner of 378 Westward Drive addressed the Board and read a statement on what they have been trying to do in order to comply with the violation. Pastor William requested a 6-month extension.

Board Member Martinez-Regueira asked if the scaffold was removed. Pastor William advise it is still there, but he would remove it the next day. Board Member Martinez-Regueira stated it is a hazard with hurricane season coming up. Board Member Bankston asked Pastor William why he has not done something temporary to cover the two windows while they figure out a long-term plan. Pastor William stated he was under the impression that he had to pull a permit and fix the actual windows. The Board advised Pastor William he does need to pull a permit, but they recommend him to speak to the Building Official about the possibility of pulling a permit to temporarily fix the windows in the meantime. Code Compliance Officer Quintero stated he would be in favor of granting the requested time.

Board member Bankston moved to grant until August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 to come into compliance. Chair Jimenez seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

2) Case# 21-531

Address: 409 De Leon Drive
Owner: **Estate of Lino Rassi** 

Violation: 71-04. - Inoperable vehicles prohibited.

Code Compliance Officer Quintero presented the case history to the Board.

The property owner was not present at the meeting. Board Member Filgueira asked how does the Code Compliance Officer know when a vehicle is inoperable. Code

Compliance Officer Quintero stated that as per the City code when lights are missing and the registration is not active it falls under Inoperable vehicles. Code Compliance Officer Quintero pointed out the Code Compliance Officer only needs one of the stated reasons to consider the vehicle inoperable.

Board member Martinez-Regueira moved to set a fine of \$50 dollars starting May 4, 2021 until case is in compliance. Board member Bankston seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

3) Case#

21-532

Address:

409 De Leon Drive

Owner:

Estate of Lino Rassi

Violation:

150-016. - Off-street parking requirements

Code Compliance Officer Quintero presented the case history to the Board.

The property owner was not present at the meeting.

Board member Martinez-Regueira moved to set a fine of \$50 dollars starting May 4, 2021 until case is in compliance. Board member Bankston seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

4) Case#

21-868

Address:

18 Euclid Drive

Owner:

Erubiel Gutierrez & Rosario Gutierrez

Violation:

93-13.- Maintenance of property by owner

Code Compliance Officer Novo presented the case history to the Board.

Mr. Erubiel Gutierrez owner of property 18 Euclid Drive addressed the Board the hardships his wife and he have experienced this past year. Board Member Martinez-Regueira advise the owner that it was unacceptable to have the property in the conditions that it was and it was unsafe for him and the community.

Board member Filgueira moved to grant until June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to come into compliance or a daily fine of \$50 dollars a day will be applied. Board member Bankston seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board Member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

#### 6) UNIFORM CIVIL VIOLATION APPEAL

1) Case#

21-711

Address:

340 Payne Drive

Owner:

Robert B Sami & Golnaz Sharifi

Violation:

150-017. - Recreational vehicles

Code Compliance Officer Novo presented the case history to the Board.

Property owner Robert Sami of 340 Payne Drive addressed the Board.

Discussion ensued among the Board members about the reasoning behind the ticket with Code Compliance Officer Novo.

Board member Filgueira moved to uphold the ticket. Board member Khoury seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

2) Case#

20-934

Address:

1451 Lenape Drive

Owner:

Connie Maldonado

Violation:

150-013. - Residential plantings, fences and walls.

Code Compliance Officer Novo presented the case history to the Board.

Mrs. Connie Maldonado and Husband Mr. Miguel Pita owner of 1451 Lenape Drive addressed the Board.

Mr. Pita spoke about other properties and tried to provide pictures. Board member Martinez-Regueira mentioned it was not relevant to his case. City Attorney Arango advised the Board and Mr. Pita he objects to take in the pictures because they are irrelevant to the case.

Board member Khoury moved to uphold the ticket. Board member Filgueira seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Khoury, Board member Martinez-Regueira, Board member Bankston, Board member Filgueira, and Chair Jimenez voted YES.

#### 7) COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT AND REQUEST:

None at this time.

#### 8) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:03 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted:

Mayra Aleman Board Secretary

Adopted by the Board on

Marlene B. Jimenez, Chair

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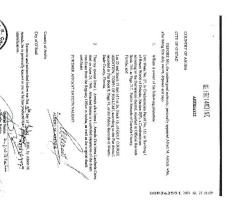
"The comments, discussions, recommendations and proposed actions of City Citizen Advisory Boards do not constitute the policy, position, or prospective action of the City, which may only be established and authorized by an appropriate vote or other action of the City Council".

# 171 Navajo Street

Request for fines review and consideration

### Albert M. Arends. Wife Irene

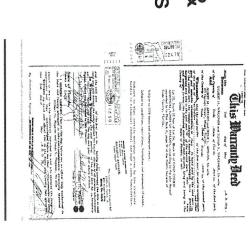
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### Albert M. Arends Sr. & Irene Arends

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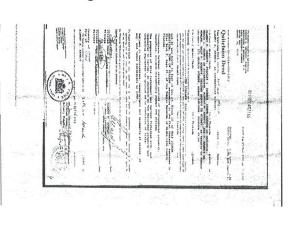
Purchased 171 Navajo Street in May 1978



## Albert M. Arends Sr. QCD to 7 children

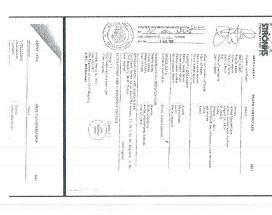
March 30th 2000

They all live in Aruba to this day



## Albert M. Arends Sr.

Dies in Aruba In Jan 15th, 2011



# Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

 04/16/2014 Lourdes Tavares Code Compliance Officer is given complaint by Building dept to notify property owner that permit for roof repairs and work done had not been paid. "issues a RFC to the tenant" no name

# Initial Inspection Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

- 03/24/2012 Tex Zaidie conducts inspection issues a "verbal civil infraction notice"
- In notes it states that Tex tells owner Irene Arends owner work like this needs permit.

### Tex Zaidie retires Miami Springs

In Feb 2015

Tex was employed by a local Municipality as the Director of the Building and Code Compliance Departments for eleven years. He retired from that job in February of 2015. His wife, Linda, retired from the University of Miami School of Law shortly after. Tex is now enjoying retirement and writing full time. He is working on another novel to be fitted 'The Roman'."

Source: Tex-Ford.com

# Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

- 03/11/2015 Records don't show who made entry although is says Tex Ziadie (he is now retired) Notes entered: "No compliance met, issued a final NCIV and granted 7 days to comply" no name
- Follow up set for 1/22/2016

# Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

- 03/18/2016 Records show Lourdes Tavares
   Notes entered: "no action has been taken, will
   refer case to CEB for April 5, 2016.
- 03/16/2016 Summons to appear before CEB on April 7th 2016 was sent via certified mail, regular mail address 171 Navajo, Police service no proof of service

# Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

- 02/19/2016 Records show Lourdes Tavares Notes entered: "checked computer system found the "permit for roof" #14-44 instill in plan check, Will refer the case to CEB.
- 03/09/2016 Posted ticket on door since it was returned by post office. Granted 7 days

# Based on City of Mia Spgs case history report

- 04/07/2016 Records show CEB BAnkston moves to set fine at \$100 per day, until owner comes into compliance CEB Filgueria seconds
- Notes entered: Total \$7600
- 04/11/2016 Ms. Alysha Virzi daughter in law owner Leoncita Arends told to speak with Tavares while at Building Dept trying to deal with permit issue, told by Lourdes \$4900 owed to get permit, she leaves notes in computer trying to help not owner

### passes away Tex Zaidie

Dec 18th 2017

## **Building Director, passes**







about Tex and his full life below: prayers go out to his friends and family. Learn more Building and Code Compliance. Our thoughts and Ford, the former City of Miami Springs Director of We are sad to report the passing of Tex Ziadie aka Tex







### file sent to both Notice copy on dead owners

Never received

Jan 2020 I had started my inquires on behalf family with building dept.

mailed to Aruba for 1st time I learned that days after MSBD

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Owner: Gabriel & Rossanne Herrjandez
Violation: 151-04 Application for bioliting partial Code Enforcement Bosso Tuesday Dotales 4th, 2016 7,00 PM Miami Springs Caryof



APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING. CODE SAFOREDRENT SOARD
OFF OF MARIE SPRINGS, R ORLLA
COMMERCE MARIES SAFORE S. Description

Transitary April 5, 2016

Soard member Fligueira moved to grant Mr. and Mrs. Hernandez 80 days to begi he permit process for the pool cabana structure. Board member Bankston econded the motion, which passed 5-0 on roll call vote. emphanoe Office: Toveras explained that attrough Mr. Hernandez spoke Paintar and took an appropriation for a spissore, no panercioris had been id for the profit selvens verturating a variance. are example that they have lived in Marmi Springs for twenty years and ha by square right the spriperty. Board shorther Fliquetra asked of they facil od belon talk Code (finite remark) becard in their thine as resulents and M reprinced that they have reven had to appear twitten the Board.

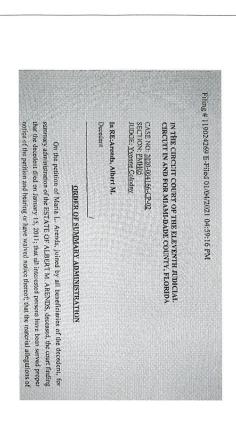
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Case#12-1367 Address 177 Navejo Street Coyner Albert & Ironis Arenda Vibiation: 151-54 Application for building permits

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Tuesday April 5, 2016



# Probate Order signed Jan 4, 2021

Probate is file 2020 January (Covid)

# March 3rd 2021 Application made to come before the CEB

Property in Compliance

POA issued January 20, 2021 to handle matter

By Arends family