

CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING

City Commission Chambers

175 West Warren Avenue

Longwood, FL 32750

August 26, 2021

9:00 A.M.

Present: Amy Goodblatt, Special Magistrate
J. Giffin Chumley, City Attorney

Also Present: Brittany Kidd Gelm, Code Compliance Officer

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Special Magistrate Amy Goodblatt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE July 22, 2021, 2021 HEARING:

Special Magistrate Goodblatt approved Minutes from the July 22, 2021 meeting.

3. SPECIAL MAGISTRATE GOODBLATT'S EXPLANATION OF PROCEEDINGS:

Special Magistrate Goodblatt explained the hearing process for the attendees.

4. ROLL CALL OF SCHEDULED CASES:

Special Magistrate Goodblatt did a roll call of the scheduled cases to determine which Respondents were present.

5. SWEARING IN OF ALL WITNESSES:

Special Magistrate Goodblatt swore in all witnesses.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. CEH 21-08-1675 CC, Chapter 18 Section 18-63 Minimum Property Standards
Mander, Scott & Teresa – P/O
987 N Wayman Street
Longwood, FL 32750

CEO Gelm introduced herself and presented a Cost Recovery document to the Special Magistrate. Respondents Scott & Teresa Mander, as well as Attorney Jesse Diaz were present.

CEO Gelm stated that this property is in violation of CC, Chapter 18 Section 18-63 Minimum Property Standards because there has been a tarp on the roof of the property indicating there is roof damage.

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A Notice of Violation was issued on 3/26/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner. The NOV was delivered on 3/29/2021.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on 7/7/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner. The NOH was delivered on 7/12/2021.

Phil Kersey, Building Official for the City of Longwood testified that in March 2021 he did a visual inspection and a portion of the wall system is showing structural fatigue.

Special Magistrate made inquiry of the Code Compliance Officer.

The Special Magistrate made her findings, finding that service was properly made. The wall system at the cited property fails to meet Minimum Property Standards due to the area on the North side of the wall showing evidence of separation, structural failure and part of the wall falling down. These defects are unsafe, and as a result, the wall system is not operational. Respondent must pay an Administrative Fine of \$253.36 within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders. If Respondent does not comply within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders by having a state licensed engineer evaluate the wall system and submit for a permit and then complete the repairs and pass all required inspections within 30 days thereafter (longer if required due to the scope of the work as determined by the City), Respondent shall pay a fine of \$75.00 per day for each day the violation continues to exist beyond the date set for compliance.

C. CEH 21-08-1678 CC, Chapter 74 Section 74-38 Storm Water Maintenance
Sun Lo Shan & Po Ling – P/O
7-11 Convenient Store - Business
496 E SR 434
Longwood, FL 32750

CEO Gelm introduced herself and presented a Cost Recovery document to the Special Magistrate. Respondents were not present.

CEO Gelm stated that this property is in violation of CC, Chapter 74 Section 74-38 Storm Water Maintenance because the storm water pond is overgrown. The trees have been removed without being replaced and the fence is falling down. There are algae in the pond as well as a foul odor.

A Notice of Violation was issued on 4/15/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner and business. The NOV was delivered to the business on 4/17/2021. The NOV was mailed via First Class Mail on 6/10/2021 to the property owner.

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A Notice of Hearing was issued on 7/7/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner and business. The NOH was delivered on 7/9/2021 to the business and 7/15/2021 to the property owner.

Warren Wahl testified on behalf of the City verifying the testimony of the Code Enforcement Officer. He has daily complaints about this property.

Special Magistrate made inquiry of the Code Compliance Officer.

The Special Magistrate made her findings, finding that service was properly made. The owner of this parcel failed to take corrective actions, after notice, to bring the storm water pond into compliance with its original plans. The fence is falling down. Trees have been removed and the pond is overgrown. The bushes on the back side of the pond are overgrown. The property is overgrown and there is an odor emanating from the pond. Respondent must pay an Administrative Fine of \$265.36 within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders. If Respondent does not comply within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders, Respondent shall pay a fine of \$100.00 per day for each day the violation continues to exist beyond the date set for compliance.

D. CEH 21-08-1679 LDC, Article VI Section 6.7.6 Sign Maintenance
GSL Longwood LLC – P/O
CVS - Business
130 E SR 434
Longwood, FL 32750

Case withdrawn as complied.

E. CEH 21-08-1680 CC, Chapter 74 Section 74-38 Storm Water Maintenance
Discount Auto Parts Inc – P/O
Discount Auto Parts - Business
490 E SR 434
Longwood, FL 32750

CEO Gelm introduced herself and presented a Cost Recovery document to the Special Magistrate. Respondents were not present.

CEO Gelm stated that this property is in violation of CC, Chapter 74 Section 74-38 Storm Water Maintenance because the storm water pond is overgrown. The fence is falling down and two trees along the back wall are compromising it. There are overgrown trees along the back side of the property.

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A Notice of Violation was issued on 4/15/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner and business. The NOV was delivered to the business on 4/17/2021 and 4/20/2021 to the property owner.

The landscaper advised the pond would be cleaned in June but it was not. On 7/29/2021 the City met onsite with a contractor to discuss bringing the property into compliance and advised they would get back with the City, but did not.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on 7/9/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner and business. The NOH was delivered on 7/14/2021 to the business and 7/16/2021 to the property owner.

Special Magistrate made inquiry of the Code Compliance Officer.

The Special Magistrate made her findings, finding that service was properly made. The property no longer meets the design standards of its pond as it is overgrown, the chain link fence is falling down and two trees are compromising its wall. The trees along the back side of the property are overgrown. Respondent must pay an Administrative Fine of \$264.86 within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders. If Respondent does not comply within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders by cleaning out the skimmer and flume, obtain a permit and repair the fence. Call for all required inspections. Obtain Arbor Permit to remove two trees compromising the wall and remove them. Maintain and trim all trees and remove any debris and dirt that spilled into the parking lot, Respondent shall pay a fine of \$100.00 per day for each day the violation continues to exist beyond the date set for compliance.

F. CEH 21-08-1682 CC, Chapter 86 Section 86-54 Storage of Inoperable Vehicles
CC, Chapter 86 Section 86-83 Boat, Trailer & RV Parking
Martin, Trevor & Christine
147 Sheridan Avenue
Longwood, FL 32750

CEO Gelm introduced herself and presented a Cost Recovery document to the Special Magistrate. Respondents were not present.

CEO Gelm stated that this property is in violation of CC, Chapter 86 Section 86-54 Storage of Inoperable Vehicles and CC, Chapter 86 Section 86-83 Boat, Trailer & RV Parking because there is a trailer and boat being stored in the front yard as well as a vehicle without a tag.

A Notice of Violation was issued on 6/2/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner. The NOV was delivered on 6/5/2021.

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A Notice of Hearing was issued on 7/9/2021 and mailed via certified mail to the property owner. The NOH was delivered on 7/14/2021.

Special Magistrate made inquiry of the Code Compliance Officer.

The Special Magistrate made her findings, finding that service was properly made. An inoperable vehicle was stored in the side yard of the cited property past the date set for compliance without being properly garaged or screened. A trailer was parked in the front yard of the property zoned residential past the date set for compliance. Respondent must pay an Administrative Fine of \$247.38 within 30 days of receipt of Final Orders. If Respondent does not comply within 10 days of receipt of Final Orders by making the vehicle operable by obtaining and affixing a valid tag to it; or store the vehicle in a garage or side or rear yard, screened by a six-foot solid fence, hedge or wall, and store the trailer and boat inside a garage or side or rear yard behind the front line of the house, Respondent shall pay a fine of \$35.00 per day per violation for each day the violation continues to exist beyond the date set for compliance.

7. **REPORTS-CASE UPDATES**

None.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Property Owner Amy Balsavage, requested her fine on the Order to Impose for CEH 17-08-1192R in reference to 795 Meadowlark Court be reduced. Special Magistrate reduced the fine to \$1,500.00 if paid in full by September 30, 2021. If the \$1,500.00 is not paid in full on or before September 30, 2021, the Fine and Administrative Cost, reverts to \$9,888.26 as previously imposed.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

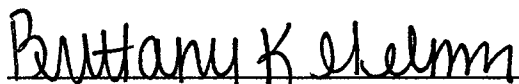
None.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Special Magistrate Goodblatt adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.



Amy Goodblatt, Special Magistrate



Brittany Kidd Gelm, Code Compliance Officer