

**Code Enforcement Hearing
Minutes
October 02, 2019**

Present: D. John Morgeson Jr., Special Magistrate
Debra Knutcher, City Attorney
Officer Carrie Long
Melani Beringer, Deputy City Clerk

1. Call to Order/Rules of Procedure

Special Magistrate D. John Morgeson Jr. called the Code Enforcement Hearing to order at 2:05 p.m. He stated that formal rules of evidence do not apply and fundamental fairness will be afforded to all. After hearing all of the relevant evidence a verbal order will be issued which will be reduced to writing and mailed to all participants. The order of the presentation will begin with the City presenting their evidence of the alleged violation(s) and then the Respondent shall present his case. All witnesses offering testimony or presenting evidence will be required to swear or affirm that the testimony they provide is the truth.

2. Administration of Oath to Defendants/Witnesses

Special Magistrate Morgeson asked that anyone who wished to testify to stand and be sworn in by the Clerk. The Clerk administered the oath.

3. Additions, Deletions, Modifications

4. Cases

Case # 5-18-8097
Lien Reduction Request
Owner Information: Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. c/o Deluca Law
Group PLLC
Loc. Address: 314 Cherokee Avenue
RE: Request for reduction of lien

Code Enforcement Officer Long presented her case: Ms. Long stated that the owner is requesting a lien reduction. She stated that all violations are and were brought into compliance on June 20, 2019 (227 days after lien granted). The total lien amount is \$42,750 with a recorded amount of \$8,700.

Jennifer Clark, 347 N. Volusia Ave., requested to extend the period of time for full payment to 45 days.

Shawn Pupello, Agent at above property, requested that the application fee of \$50.00 be considered into the \$500.00 due amount.

Sharon Stafford, 461 S. Clark St., requested the Church to be considered a historic site.

Mr. Morgeson recalled the reason of the court case.

Ms. Stafford stated that she has an interest in the property.

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Magistrate find the property owner in violation of the Orange City Code of Ordinance as cited and order a lien reduction be imposed bringing the total payment to \$500.00.

The Magistrate closed the public hearing. Mr. Morgeson ordered that the fine be reduced to \$500.00 which payment in part includes any and all recording fees. Failure to pay the total reduced amount on or before November 15, 2019 will result in the lien reverting to its original amount.

Adjournment

There being no further cases to discuss, the hearing was adjourned at 2:21 p.m.