

City of Coral Gables Development Services Department

CASE RESUME

HEARING DATE: October 20, 2025 **CASE NO.:** 22-3612 RECT-23-05-0163

BUILDING ADDRESS: 250 Catalonia Ave

FOLIO NUMBER: 03-4117-005-7120

OWNER: Catalonia Offices 2018 LLC

USE: COMMERCIAL BUILDING # OF LIVING UNITS: 0

PENDING RECERTIFICATION: 2021 LAST RECERTIFICATION DATE: 2011

YEAR BUILT: 1971

DESCRIPTION AND DEFECTS OF BUILDING: The Building Official has inspected the records relating to the Structure in accordance with Article III, Chapter 105 of the City Code, pertaining to unsafe structures, and Section 8-11 of the Miami-Dade County Code, as applicable in the City, pertaining to existing buildings. The Structure is hereby declared unsafe by the Building Official for failure to timely comply with the maintenance and recertification requirements of the Florida Building Code.

DATES AND ACTIVITIES:

- 02/08/21 First Notice from the City advising Recertification is required mailed with return receipt, delivered to agent for final delivery.
- 05/10/21 Second Notice from the City advising Recertification is pending mailed with return receipt, delivered to agent for final delivery.
- 06/09/21 Final Notice from the City advising Recertification is pending mailed with return receipt, delivered.
- Notice of Proposed Action from the City advising Recertification is pending posted on property, mailed with return receipt, delivered.
- 07/19/21 Letter from a structural Engineer submitted attesting the structure is safe for occupancy
- 07/19/21 Recertification Report rejected; repairs required (Building & electrical).
- 07/26/21 180 days extension granted to do repairs.
- 01/22/22 ADMINISTRATIVE EXTENSION EXPIRED
- 01/31/22 Notice of Unsafe Structure Violation for Failure to recertify and Notice of Hearing mailed with return receipt.
- 01/31/22 Notice of Hearing posted on Structure and at City Hall.
- 02/14/22 Board Hearing

The Owner shall take the Required Action as follows: **A.** Submit a revised Recertification Report prepared by a licensed Architect or Engineer within one hundred eighty (180) days of the Board's Order Recertifying the property. **B.** A \$250 daily fine be imposed, if any of these deadlines are not

- 01/13/25 Building Recertification rejected (Building) Approved (Electrical)
- 10/10/25 Notice of Intent to Lien and Hearing mailed Certified Mail & USPS Regular Mail
- 10/10/25 Notice of Hearing posted on Structure
- 10/20/25 Board Hearing

TO DATE THE OWNER HAS: NOT submitted a revised structural Recertification Report nor letter for structural.

BUILDING OFFICIAL'S RECOMMENDATION:

- A. That all provisions of the original Order, including fines or deadlines, remain in full force and effect.
- **B.** That the Property Owner submit current structural and electrical recertification reports and cover letters, as applicable, appropriately signed and sealed by a Florida-licensed professional engineer or architect, within thirty (30) days of the Board's meeting.
- C. That the Property Owner submit appropriately signed and sealed safe-to-occupy letters for both the Structural and Electrical Recertification, as applicable, within thirty(30) days of the Board's meeting attesting that the building's structural and electrical systems are safe for occupancy while repairs are undertaken, and that updated safe-to-occupy letters be submitted every six (6) months thereafter while recertification is pending.
- **D.** Immediately obtain and close all necessary permits as applicable to perform repairs needed to recertify the structure.
- **E.** That the Building Official shall thereafter take any measures within his authority, as set forth in City or County Code and Florida law, to ensure the safety of the building, its occupants, and the surrounding areas, including but not limited to evacuating the structure, disconnecting utilities, and demolition of the structure.
- **F.** That a \$500 daily fine be imposed if **a**) any of the above deadlines are not met, or **b**) if the building is not recertified within 45 days of the board's meeting, in addition to fines previously imposed, until the building is fully recertified.

PERMIT ACTIVITY: No current permits associated with the Building Recertification.