

Re: Concerns

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Mon 9/25/2023 9:48 AM

To: Loar, Antoine <aloar@coralgables.com>

Cc: Sheppard, Terri <tsheppard@coralgables.com>; Schwartz, Lynn <lschwartz@coralgables.com>

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From: Loar, Antoine <aloar@coralgables.com>**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2023 9:46:54 AM**To:** Casimir, Raynald <rcasimir@coralgables.com>**Cc:** Sheppard, Terri <tsheppard@coralgables.com>; Schwartz, Lynn <lschwartz@coralgables.com>**Subject:** FW: Concerns

Ray,

Please issue an NOV for city tree abuse.

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From: Bell-Llewellyn, Deena <dbell@coralgables.com>

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2023 9:37 AM

To: Maria Cruz <thebeachcruzy@icloud.com>; Loar, Antoine <aloar@coralgables.com>; Parjus, Alberto <aparjus@coralgables.com>; Ramirez, Douglas <dramirez@coralgables.com>

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Dear Mrs. Cruz,

Thank you for letting us know.

Antoine,

If the orchids are attached by nails or staples, this is not allowed, and is considered tree abuse.

Best,

Deena

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From: Maria Cruz <thebeachcruzy@icloud.com>

Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2023 12:41 PM

To: Loar, Antoine <aloar@coralgables.com>; Parjus, Alberto <aparjus@coralgables.com>; Ramirez,

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This morning(Sunday, I contacted Code Enforcement and spoke with the Officer that was working. I let him know that yesterday while driving around the City with a friend and looking for an address we came up with beautiful orchids on City trees in front of 722 Aledo. We were impressed and looked closer and saw that the flowers were affixed with nails to the trees. He told me he was on his way. Later on he called me back to let me know he had spoken with the owner and gave him a warning, instead of a ticket because he was told that Public Works told the Owner that it was ok to do so because those trees were dying anyway. He expects to get the paperwork from the owner soon. I'm very confused, if the trees "are dying anyway," why have they not been removed. Are the trees dying anyway because of the nails?

Why a warning and not a ticket? Are we believing anything we are told?

Something looks very strange! Please don't let the trees die.

Thank!

Maria

Sent from my iPhone