

City of Coral Gables

405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Agenda

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

8:30 AM

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82004327867>

City Hall, Commission Chambers

Code Enforcement Board

Board Member Ignacio Borbolla

Board Member Andres Correa

Board Member Maria Cruz

Board Member Jeffrey Flanagan

Board Member J.M. Guarch, Jr.

Board Member George Kakouris

Board Member Andres Murai, Jr

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

There are no minutes to approve.

PUBLIC HEARING

SWEARING IN OF INTERESTED PARTIES

SIGN-IN SHEET: Those who wish to address the Board during the public hearing portion must legibly record their name and address on the sign-in sheet with the item(s) they wish to address at the recording secretary's table. The primary purpose of the sign-in sheet is to record the attendance at the meeting and to assist in the accurate recording of the minutes.

PROCEDURE: The following format shall be used; however, the Chairperson in special circumstances may impose variations.

- Identification of item by Chairperson*
- Disclosure statement by Board members*
- Presentation by Staff*
- Applicant or Agent presentation*
- Public comment-support/opposition*
- Public comment closes - Board discussion*
- Motion, discussion and second of motion*
- Board's final comments*
- Vote*

NEW CASES

NOVI-23-09-3 533 Coral Way
243

Violation Description - Floors, walls, ceilings and roofs - Sec. 105-278. - Floors, walls, ceilings and roofs. - Floors, walls, ceilings and roofs of every structure used for human habitation shall be structurally sound, and maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. They shall be free from cracks, breaks, loose plaster and similar conditions so serious as to endanger the safety of occupants or to seriously mar the attractiveness of the premises. (Code 1958, § 16A-36; Code 1991, § 12-178; Code 2006, § 105-289; Ord. No. 1142, § 4.5, 7-14-1959; Ord. No. 2013-07, § 2, 5-28-2013)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Roof is in disrepair and dirty.

Remedy - Must repair and clean roof. Must pull permits.

Owner - ARIS ANGELO

Code Enforcement Officer Young

NOVI-22-06-0 525 Coral Way 405
695

Violation Description - Expired Building Permit - Sec. 105-26. - Adoption of building, plumbing, electrical and related technical codes.

The state building code together with all local amendments thereto is hereby adopted by reference. Penalties for violation of the state building code shall be as established in section 1-7. Florida Building Code 105.4.1.1- If work has commenced and the permit is revoked, becomes null and void, or expires because of lack of progress or abandonment, a new permit covering the proposed construction shall be obtained before proceeding with the work (Code 1958, § 8-1; Code 1991, § 6-26; Code 2006, § 105-23; Ord. No. 1052, § 1, 12-17-1957)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: EXPIRED PERMIT:
ME-18-12-3037 (A/C CHANGE OUT)

Remedy - Please renew/re-activate the permit(s) in order to call for final pending inspection(s). Inspections must be approved, in order for the permit(s) and violation to close. If you require further assistance, please contact: Antonio Silio at 305-460-5206/asilio@coralgables.com OR Jorge Pino/Mobile Permit Coordinator at 305-460-5272/jpino@coralgables.com OR Development Services at 305-460-5245/building@coralgables.com

Owner - HSIUYING HO

Code Enforcement Officer Selva

NOVI-23-01-1 2121 Red Rd.
720

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Work without a permit - Painted house (dark color), added wooden accent panels, installed artificial grass. -Must get approval/permit(s) for work done.

Remedy - Cease and desist all unpermitted work. Must obtain all necessary permits.

Owner - Alberto Montero

Code Enforcement Officer Roman

[NOVI-23-09-3](#) 219 Miracle Mile
175

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Sign and window decals installed without approval and permit. (Sartori Amici)

Remedy - Must obtain approval and permit. Call in for inspections and finalize permit.

Owner - ODESSA INV INC or R/A: BASSAM TAHA,

Code Enforcement Officer Delgado

[NOVI-24-01-4](#) 350 Bird Rd.
[377](#)

Violation Description - Condition of commercial property(a)(1) - Sec. 105-29. - (a)The exterior of all commercial property shall be maintained so as to prevent deterioration or blight from inadequate maintenance.(1)All exterior building surfaces shall be free of chipping, pitting, cracking, discoloration, peeling or fading.

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Outside walls, front walkway, parking lot areas are dirty and need to be pressure cleaned or painted with permit. Hole in asphalt on east side of business needs to be repaired.

Remedy - Pressure clean outside walls, front walkway, parking lot, repair hole in asphalt on east side of business. If painting is necessary, obtain permit for painting.

Owner -KWIK-CHEK REALTY CO INC

Code Enforcement Officer Vazquez

[NOVI-24-02-4](#) 301 Velarde Avenue
[945](#)

Violation Description - Zoning permit required - Section 14-202.8. Zoning permit

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Remedy - Comply with section 14-202.8 - apply for and obtain after-the-fact permit for installed artificial turf or remove; remove screening from gates, it is not allowed.

Owner- Mark B Brown

Code Enforcement Officer Vazquez

CG311-23-10- 6117 Riviera Drive4

Violation Description - Exterior Alterations without Permit - Section 14-202.8. Zoning permit.

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Artificial turf installed in front yard without permit.

Remedy - Comply with Section 14-202.8 Obtain "after the fact" permit for installed artificial turf/ or remove and re sod area.

Owner - JAIME GALCERAN

Code Enforcement Officer Casimir

NOVI-24-03-5 840 Tangier Street
917

Violation Description - Work without a Permit - Sec. 105-26. - Adoption of building, plumbing, electrical and related technical codes.

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(Code 1958, § 8-1; Code 1991, § 6-26; Code 2006, § 105-23; Ord. No. 1052, § 1, 12-17-1957)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: MAINTAINING CARPORT WITH AWNING, CONCRETE SLAB, DRIVEWAY RIBBONS ON NORTH MOST SIDE OF PROPERTY LINE, DRIVEWAY RIBBONS ON SOUTHMOST SIDE OF PROPERTY LINE, CONCRETE WALL WITH LATTICE FENCING. WITHOUT OBTAINING NECESSARY APPROVAL AND PERMIT

Remedy - MUST PROVIDE ALL APPLICABLE PERMITS OR OBTAIN PERMITS FOR WORK DONE AFTER THE FACT.

Owner - ROSA SOLIS

Code Enforcement Officer Lugo

[NOVI-24-02-5](#) 1221 Wallace Street
[286](#)

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(Code 1958, § 8-1; Code 1991, § 6-26; Code 2006, § 105-23; Ord. No. 1052, § 1, 12-17-1957)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: ARTIFICIAL TURF / GRASS
INSTALLED WITHOUT APPROVED PERMIT

Remedy - PLEASE REMOVE ARTIFICIAL TURF OR OBTAIN
APPLICABLE PERMIT

Owner - YASSER SARDINA

Code Enforcement Officer Lugo

[NOVI-23-12-4](#) 5255 Orduna Drive
[149](#)

Violation Description -Exterior Alterations without Permit - Section 14-202.8. Zoning permit.

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Installation of artificial turf without permit, including right of way.

Remedy - Comply with Section 14-202.8 - Obtain permit for installed artificial turf, or remove and re sod.

Owner - RENAUD DUBOIS

Code Enforcement Officer Schwartz

[NOVI-24-01-4](#) 7611 Old Cutler Rd.
[693](#)

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Installation of artificial turf, without permit

Remedy - Comply with Section 14-202.8

Owner - OSCAR ANDRES GOMEZ TRS

Code Enforcement Officer Schwartz

NOVI-23-08-2 1445 Trillo Avenue
997

Violation Description - Exterior Alterations without Permit - Section 14-202.8. Zoning permit.

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Removed brick from front façade, columns and re-painted home without a permit or approval.

Remedy - Comply with Section 14-202.8 Must obtain a after-the-fact permit for work completed.

Owner - FRANCISCO MARTINEZ

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

[NOVI-23-10-3](#) 1019 Mariposa Avenue
631

Violation Description - Permits generally (c) - Tree Abuse - Sec. 82-29. - Permits generally.

(c)Tree abuse. Tree abuse is prohibited and shall constitute a violation of this section. Any act of tree abuse that renders a tree nonviable or effectively destroyed shall constitute "effective removal" and shall compel the owner to fully comply with the terms of this article as if the tree was removed prior to issuance of a permit. (Ord. No. 2017-45, § 2(Att. A), 12-5-2017)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Line cut 3 Live Oaks at rear of private property and trimmed 2 Black Olives on city right of way in front of property, without a permit. Tree abuse

Remedy - Must obtain a after-the-fact permit for the tree cuttings. Must submit a Florida ISA certified Arborist report as to the viability of the trees after cutting and must write a prescription recovery plan of tree canopy of the Live Oaks. Contact Coral Gables Greenspace division for any additional requirements at 305-460-5000.

Owner - JAMES S KLAUS

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

[NOVI-23-11-3](#) 2511 San Domingo Street
761

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Floors, walls, ceilings and roofs.

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Roof, walkways, and sidewalk abutting property are dirty and discolored. Lamp in front yard is in disrepair. Tape on windows. Driveway is in disrepair.

Remedy - Must clean roof, walkways and sidewalk abutting property. Must repair lamp in front yard. Must repair driveway. Must remove tape from windows. Must obtain all permit and approvals to complete work.

Owner - JUAN VIVANCO CALDERON

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

[NOVI-24-03-6](#) 145 Orquidea Avenue
048

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(c)Tree abuse. Tree abuse is prohibited and shall constitute a violation of this section. Any act of tree abuse that renders a tree nonviable or effectively destroyed shall constitute "effective removal" and shall compel the owner to fully comply with the terms of this article as if the tree was removed prior to issuance of a permit. (Ord. No. 2017-45, § 2(Att. A), 12-5-2017)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Cut down a city tree on the right of way without a permit.

Remedy - Comply with Section 82-29 Must obtain an after-the-fact permit for cutting down city tree on the right of way. May need to replace lost canopy. Contact Coral Gables Green Space at 305-460-5000 for additional requirements.

Owner - ONNO VAN ROMONDT

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

[NOVI-24-02-5](#) 700 Solano Prado
674

Violation Description - PERMIT - Required for Excavations - Sec. 62-83. - Required.

(a) Violations of this section shall be punishable as provided in section 1-7.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to do work on or cut into, dig up, or excavate for the purpose of laying sewers, water mains, underground wires, or gas pipes, or for setting poles, or any other purpose whatsoever, any of the streets, parks, parkways, sidewalks, alleys, or easements in the city without first securing from the director of public works a permit to do such work, and make such excavations. (Code 1958, § 28-26; Code 1991, § 22-106; Code 2006, § 62-58; Ord. No. 2581, § 1, 9-10-1985)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Installed concrete pavers with gravel in between and a concrete slab with bench, on the city right of way, without a permit. Across the street from 700 Solano Prado.

Remedy - Must obtain an after the fact permit or remove and restore swale.

Owner - OLD CUTLER BAY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

NOVI-23-12-4 4900 Hammock Park Drive
059

Violation Description - Removal of obstructions Section. A - Sec. 62-153. -
Removal of obstructions(a).

(a)It shall be prohibited to place, maintain, or allow any tree, shrub, or other obstruction upon any street, sidewalk, or swale area within the city. For purposes of this section, "obstruction" shall not include any tree, shrub, swale treatment, or encroachment approved in writing by the city commission or city manager or as otherwise permitted by the city code. Violations of this section shall be punishable as provided in section 1-7. (Code 1958, § 28-37(e); Code 1991, § 22-135; Code 2006, § 62-133; Ord. No. 2581, § 1, 9-10-1985; Ord. No. 2608, § 1, 11-26-1985; Ord. No. 2736, § 1, 10-27-1987; Ord. No. 2782, § 1, 5-24-1988)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Need to remove chain link fence and irrigation from city property

Remedy - If the owner of the abutting property fails to comply with such removal of trees, shrubbery, or obstruction within ten days of receipt of the written notice, the city shall then perform the necessary removal operations and shall assess the cost of said removal against the property. Such assessment, if not paid, shall become a lien against the property.

Owner - BRIAN JANSON CAROLINE CALLAHAN

Code Enforcement Field Supervisor Sheppard

CONTINUED CASES

NOVI-23-10-3 630 San Servando Avenue
606

11/15/23 Case was continued by Board

Violation Description - Permits generally(e) - Pruning on public property -
Sec. 82-29. - Permits generally.

(e)Pruning of trees on public property and rights-of-way. The pruning of any
trees on public property and rights-of-way is prohibited unless expressly
approved by the tree preservation agency in advance. (Ord. No. 2017-45,
§ 2(Att. A), 12-5-2017)

Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Cutting a city tree on right of way
without a permit.

Remedy - Obtain all necessary permits as per Chapter 82-29. Must obtain
an after the fact permit for tree cutting. Must contact Coral Gables
Greenspace for additional requirements and tree mitigation. (305)
460-5131

Owner - LUIS MANUEL RAMIREZ

Code Enforcement Officer Casimir

HISTORIC CASES

[NOVI-23-09-3](#) 1433 Mendavia Avenue
[154](#)

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Installed artificial turf in front yard and on east side of property without a permit.

Remedy - Comply with Section 14-202.8 Artificial turf not allowed in front yard, may obtain a after-the-fact permit for turf installation on east side.

Owner - RUBEN M MASTRAPA

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

NOVI-24-03-6 6710 Le Jeune Rd.
077

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Work without a permit to include but not limited to new windows installed before obtaining a permit.

Remedy - MUST OBTAIN ALL APPROVALS AND PERMITS TO INCLUDE A HISTORICAL REVIEW.

Owner - GEORGE T PALLAS

Code Enforcement Officer Casimir

STATUS CASES

NOVI-23-11-3 1410 Cantoria Avenue
727

3/13/24 Guilty/30 days to obtain and 90 days to final/\$150.00 a day/\$108.75 Administrative Fee

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Code Enforcement Officer Comments: Interior demo without a permit.

Remedy - Cease and desist all unpermitted work. Must obtain all necessary permits. RED Tag.

Owner - Alexis Cogul Leonart

Code Enforcement Officer Vilato

ADJOURNMENT

Next hearing in on June 18, 2024

NOTE

Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Board, shall be barred from further audience before the Board by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Board is granted by the majority vote of the Board Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.

Any person, who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, as amended, must register with the City Clerk prior to engaging in lobbying activities before City Staff, Boards, Committees or City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by a Board, Committee or City Commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, that person will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based (F.S. 286.0105). Any meeting may be opened and continued and, under certain circumstances, additional legal notice will not be provided.

Any person requiring special accommodations in order to attend or participate in the meeting should contact the City's ADA Coordinator, Raquel Elejabarrieta (Email: relejabarrieta@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600, at least three (3) working days prior to the meeting. All meetings are telecast live on Coral Gables TV Channel 77.