
From: Roman, Gerardo
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:53 PM
To: Sheppard, Terri; Garcia, Adolfo
Subject: RE: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables CE290660

I just checked EDEN , the have two active permits. Permit BL20037220 (REMOVAL OF DECROATIVE MARBLE ROCK VENEER & RESURFACING W/ SMOOTH STUCCO/ FASCIA REPAIR) & Permit ZN20036494 (RESEAL EXISTING ASPHALT DRIVEWAY (TO MATCH EXISTING SHAPE AND DESIGN)). I will pass by this week and take updated pictures of the property.

Gerardo Roman
City Of Coral Gables
Code Enforcement Officer
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From: Sheppard, Terri <tsheppard@coralgables.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 6:19:10 PM
To: Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com>
Cc: Garcia, Adolfo <agarcia2@coralgables.com>; Roman, Gerardo <groman@coralgables.com>; Alexander L. Palenzuela (alp@alp-law.com) <alp@alp-law.com>
Subject: Re: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

Hi Roman,

Can you please give the stats of each case and provide updated pictures?

Thank you,

Terri Sheppard
Field Supervisor
Code Enforcement Division
Development Services Department
427 Biltmore Way, Suite 100
Coral Gables, FL 33134
(305)460-5239
(305)460-5348 Fax

> On Mar 26, 2020, at 10:23 AM, Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com> wrote:
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> Hi Terri:
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> Please provide an update on 6915 Sunrise Drive and 6825 Sunrise Drive.
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> Thanks,

> Cristina

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> Cristina M. Suárez

> Deputy City Attorney & City Prosecutor

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Sheppard, Terri

> Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 5:20 PM

> To: Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com>; Garcia, Adolfo <agarcia2@coralgables.com>

> Cc: Roman, Gerardo <groman@coralgables.com>

> Subject: RE: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

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> Cristina,

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> Roman has an appointment tonight at 6:00pm with the owner to inspect and he will let us know what his findings are. I'm copying him in this email.

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> Thank you,

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> Terri Sheppard

> Field Supervisor

> Code Enforcement Division

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Suarez, Cristina

> Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 5:03 PM

> To: Sheppard, Terri <tsheppard@coralgables.com>; Garcia, Adolfo <agarcia2@coralgables.com>

> Subject: FW: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

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> Please see below. Can we inspect from the waterway?

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> Thanks,

> Cristina

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> Cristina M. Suárez

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> From: Suarez, Cristina

> Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 5:03 PM

> To: jose.cornide@ubs.com; Valdes-Fauli, Raul <rvaldes-fauli@coralgables.com>

> Cc: Ramos, Miriam <mramos@coralgables.com>; Cejas, Devin <dcejas@coralgables.com>; Luzarraga, Beba <mLuzarraga@coralgables.com>

> Subject: RE: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

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> Mr. Cornide:

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> I will forward the specific concerns mentioned below to Code Enforcement.

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> Thanks,

> Cristina

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> Cristina M. Suárez
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> From: jose.cornide@ubs.com <jose.cornide@ubs.com>

> Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 4:57 PM

> To: Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com>; Valdes-Fauli, Raul <rvaldes-fauli@coralgables.com>

> Cc: Ramos, Miriam <mramos@coralgables.com>; Cejas, Devin <dcejas@coralgables.com>; Luzarraga, Beba <mluzarraga@coralgables.com>

> Subject: RE: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

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> Thanks. It looks like someone looked at the front of the house, which is nowhere near as bad as the back.

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> What about the back of the house?

> Boarded windows

> No railings

> Rotted wood throughout

> Facia falling

> Paint

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> From: Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com<mailto:csuarez@coralgables.com>>
> Date: Monday, Feb 24, 2020, 4:37 PM
> To: Valdes-Fauli, Raul <rvaldes-fauli@coralgables.com<mailto:rvaldes-fauli@coralgables.com>>, Cornide, Jose <jose.cornide@ubs.com<mailto:jose.cornide@ubs.com>>
> Cc: Ramos, Miriam <mramos@coralgables.com<mailto:mramos@coralgables.com>>, Cejas, Devin <dcejjas@coralgables.com<mailto:dcejjas@coralgables.com>>, Luzarraga, Beba <mluzarraga@coralgables.com<mailto:mluzarraga@coralgables.com>>
> Subject: [External] RE: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables
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> Mr. Mayor and Mr. Cornide:
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> The City Attorney forwarded your email to me. By way of summary, please be advised that Code Enforcement initially cited the property located at 6915 Sunrise Drive on January 16, 2020 and a Notice of Violation, attached, was issued today and provides a compliance deadline of March 17, 2020. Please let me know if you need any further information.
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> I have also asked Code Enforcement to inspect 6825 Sunrise Drive.
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> Thanks,
> Cristina
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> Cristina M. Suárez
> Deputy City Attorney & City Prosecutor
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Ramos, Miriam
> Sent: Friday, February 21, 2020 4:20 PM

> To: Suarez, Cristina <csuarez@coralgables.com>
> Cc: Garcia, Adolfo <agarcia2@coralgables.com>; Sheppard, Terri <tsheppard@coralgables.com>
> Subject: FW: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables
> Importance: High
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> Cristina, please see below and attached. I searched the latest Abandoned Property Report and 6815 Sunrise Drive is not on the list. Please work with Code Enforcement to find out what citations, if any, are pending.
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> Please let me know ASAP so that we may provide the Mayor and Mr. Cornide with a response.
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> Thanks,
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> Miriam Soler Ramos, Esq., B.C.S.
> City Attorney
> Board Certified by the Florida Bar in
> City, County, and Local Government Law
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Valdes-Fauli, Raul
> Sent: Friday, February 21, 2020 1:57 PM
> To: Ramos, Miriam <mramos@coralgables.com>
> Cc: Luzarraga, Beba <mluzarraga@coralgables.com>; jose.cornide@ubs.com
> Subject: FW: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables
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> Miriam, please report.
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> RVF

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: jose.cornide@ubs.com <jose.cornide@ubs.com>

> Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2020 12:05 PM

> To: Roman, Gerardo <groman@coralgables.com>

> Cc: Valdes-Fauli, Raul <rvaldes-fauli@coralgables.com>; Commission Aides
<CommissionAides@coralgables.com>

> Subject: Abandoned open bay, waterfront home in Coral Gables

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> Dear Mr. Roman. I hope this note finds you well. I own 2 homes in Coral Gables. One at 6939 Sunrise Drive and the other at 8020 Los Pinos Boulevard. I have been complaining about the house next door (6815 Sunrise Drive) for a number of years. The City of Coral Gables repeatedly does nothing. The home was damaged in October 2016 by the hurricane that brushed Miami. This storm took out several of the rear windows and the fence between our houses (which is the neighbors but it was left demolished for 6 months and so I had to take care of it). It has not had any exterior railings on the balconies since I bought my home in January 2015. It has not been painted since 1999. You can see the fascia is falling off the house. Windows are cracked open at all times. (We have seen a large rat entering one of the open windows.) There are abandoned washer & dryers in the front yard. The car in the front yard has not been moved since 1999.

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> I recently bought 8020 as a short sale, and the City of Coral Gables was involved and regularly fined the previous owner. It got me thinking - why has the city done nothing about my neighbors house?

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> This is impacting the value of my home and the neighborhood.

> I have my house listed at \$9.99 million. My realtor Jill Eber says the house next door regularly draws negative comments from my prospective buyers.

> Susan Stamas has her house a few doors down (6855 Sunrise Drive) listed at \$13.2 million.

> Adil Rahmathulla just paid \$12.6 million for his house (6855 Sunrise Drive) Nelson Gonzalez has his home 6815 Sunrise Drive listed for \$12.9 million.

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> This would not be tolerated in any neighborhood in Coral Gables. I do not understand why I do not get phone calls back from you, or return my emails? I am certain our street pays more in taxes than just about any neighborhood in Coral Gables except Gables Estates and maybe Cocoplum.

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> Attorney Simon Steckel won this home in a legal proceeding in 1999. He has never spent a day there. He has a crew of 2 ex-convicts that watch over the property. They are nice guys, but they bring around their friends to fish off the dock and hang out in the back yard. This often happens for late night fishing. I have 3 kids. There are kids all over our street. I have chased off "hoodlums" that hang out at the abandoned house from time to time (admittedly a rarity but a concern nonetheless).

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> Mr. Steckel is a criminal defense attorney who made his fame and fortune in the 80's and 90's defending drug dealers. As an example, here is a New Times story about Simon Steckel:

> <https://www.miaminewtimes.com/news/a-prominent-attorney-a-briefcase-full-of-cash-a-scheming-girlfriend-and-a-severely-manipulated-legal-system-they-all-come-together-in-the-bizarre-tale-of-the-missing-briefcase-6362248>

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> PS. Jeff Gerson's home at 6825 Sunrise Dr is not much better. The front yard is unkept and I suggest you send someone out there to take a look at this property.

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> I demand action!

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> José M. Cornide

> Managing Director

> UBS Private Wealth Management

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