

### City of Key West, FL

Old City Hall 510 Greene Street Key West FL 33040

# Action Minutes - Final Code Compliance Hearing

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

1:30 PM

**Old City Hall** 

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**Call Meeting to Order** 

#### **Code Violations**

1 Case # 15-794

Edwin O Swift

Historic Tours of America

809 Terry Lane

Sec. 14-40 Permits in historic districts

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits

Officer Bonnita Badgett Certified Service: 8-11-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### Continuance granted to November 18, 2015

**Count 1:** For failure to obtain a certificate of appropriateness for the fence and gate. **Count 2:** For failure to obtain a building permit for the fence and gate.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to November 18, 2015.

2 Case # 14-1745

Scott Hendricks

1916 Patterson Avenue

Sec. 14-37 Building permits, professional plans; display of permits

Sec. 14-256 Required Sec. 14-31 Adopted Officer Peg Corbett

Certified Service: 1-22-2015 Initial Hearing: 2-25-2015

#### In compliance September 10, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** A detached habitable space was built without the benefit of a building permit. **Count 2:** Electricity was installed in the detached habitable space without the benefit of an electrical permit. **Count 3:** Plumbing was installed in the detached habitable space without the benefit of a plumbing permit.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### Case # 15-587

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Dana Dickinson 417 Porter Lane 3

Sec. 66-102 Date due and delinquent; penalties - Dismiss

Sec. 66-103 Trasfer of license

Officer Peg Corbett

Certified Service: 6-17-2015 Initial Hearing: 7-29-2015

#### Continued from August 26, 2015 for compliance

**Count 1:** The business tax receipt to rent this property has been delinquent since September 30, 2014. **Count 2:** The license needs to be transferred into the new owners name.

The Code Officer stated that compliance had not been achieved. Administrative fees were imposed at the hearing on August 26, 2015 and have not been paid. The Special Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50 per day starting September 30, 3015.

#### Case # 15-592

Gregg & Margaret Scholl 3625 Seaside Drive 306

Sec. 66-102 Dates due and delinquent; penalties

Sec. 66-103 Transfer of license

Officer Peg Corbett Posted: 9-10-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

### In compliance September 14, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** The business tax receipt to rent this property has been delinquent since September 30, 2014. **Count 2:** The transient rental license and medallion has not been transferred to the new property owners.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 5 Case # 15-764

Diane Scholl

807 Washington Street 102

Sec. 66-102 Dates due and delinquent; penalties

Sec. 66-103 Transfer of license

Officer Peg Corbett

Certified Service: 7-21-2015 Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### Continued from August 26, 2015 for compliance

**Count 1:** The business tax receipt to rent this property has been delinquent since 9-30-2014. **Count 2:** The business tax receipt has not been transferred to Ms. Scholl.

The Code Officer stated that compliance had not been achieved. Administrative fees were imposed at the hearing on August 26, 2015 and have not been paid. The Special Magistrate imposed a fine of \$250.

#### 6 Case # 15-909

A.C. Nichols, Inc.

Paulene Nichols - R/A

Sunshine Pools

Mobile Service

Sec. 66-102 Dates due and delinquent; penalties

Officer Peg Corbett

Certified Service:

Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### In compliance September 10, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** The business tax receipt has been delinquent since 9-30-2014

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 7 Case # 15-1041

518 Duval Street, LLC Henry Allen, R/A OG 1 of Key West, LLC Nir Sela. R/A

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518 Duval Street

Sec. 18-705 Requirements of permit holder

Officer Peg Corbett

Certified Service: 8-19-2015 Certified Service: 8-25-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### New Case - Settlement Agreement Irreparable violation

**Count 1:** On 14 May 2015 we received a complaint from Leland Stevens stating that the subject cosmetic store charged his credit card \$3,225 without the benefit of a prior written statement showing the final cost of the item or service.

September 30, 2015

A Settlement Agreement was presented to the Special Magistrate which he approved. The Respondent stipulates to the imposition of costs of \$250. Also imposed is a fine of \$500 for a total amount of \$750. The Respondent agrees to a suspended fine of \$4,500. Suspension will be for 60 months.

#### Case # 15-1060

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Paul & Cindy Mead 3536 Duck Avenue Sec. 66-102 Dates due and delinquent; penalties Officer Peg Corbett Certified Service: Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance August 21, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** The business tax receipt for the rental of the subject property has been delinquent since September 30, 2014.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 9 Case # 14-1628

117 Duval LLC
117 Duval Street
FBC 1612.4 (ASCE 24-415) Unprotected enclosed structure below design flood elevation
Officer Scott Fraser
Certified Service: 3-23-2015

Certified Service: 3-23-2015 Initial Hearing: 5-27-2015

#### Continuance granted to October 21, 2015 for compliance

**Count 1:** In accordance with the City's requirements for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the City's 2000 approval for construction of this commercial structure below the established NFIP flood level was contingent upon the installation and maintenance

of approved floodproofing measures. These floodproofing measures no longer exist.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to October 21, 2015 for compliance.

#### 10 Case # 14-878

1415 Olivia St LLC
David MJR Graham, R/A
1415 Olivia Street
Sec. 62-2 Obstructions
Officer Leonardo Hernandez
Certified Service: 9-19-2014
Initial Hearing: 11-14-2014

#### In compliance September 18, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** For installing pavers and plants on the city's right of way.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 11 Case # 14-1248

Kenneth Dooley Peter Bek-Gran 1410 Albury Street

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits;

address; exceptions

Sec. 14-40 Permits in historic districts

Officer Leonardo Hernandez

Certified Service:

Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### Continue to October 21, 2015 for service

**Count 1:** For failure to obtain a building permit for installation of brick pavers around the pool, rear, front and side property. **Count 2:** For failure to obtain a certificate of appropriateness for installation of brick pavers around the pool, rear, front and side property.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to October 21, 2015 for service.

#### 12 Case # 15-622

Edwards Healthcare & Diagnostic Edward Garrido

3414 Duck Avenue 3418

Sec. 30-1 Fees for false alarms and fire code inspections

Officer Leonardo Hernandez Certified Service: 7-28-2015 Initial Hearing: 6-24-2015

#### Continued from August 26, 2015 for compliance

Count 1: The fire inspection fees are more than 60 days past due

The Code Officer stated that compliance had not been achieved. Administrative fees were imposed at the hearing on August 26, 2015 and have not been paid. The Special Magistrate imposed a fine of \$250 per day starting September 30, 2015.

#### 13 Case # 15-760

KWHS Inc.

James Hendricks, Registered Agent

KWHS Inc.

Bianca Digennaro, Business owner

Living Dolls

Tanner Partners LLP 516 Fleming Street 101 Sec. 2-939 Licenses

Officer Leonardo Hernandez Certified Service:6-10-2015 - R/A Certified Service: 6-16-2015 - B/O

Initial Hearing: 6-24-2015

#### Continued from August 26, 2015 for compliance

Count 1: The chairs on the sidewalk require a revocable license

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to November 18, 2015 for compliance.

#### 14 Case # 15-828

Karen & Delmar Lewis - property owner T Ryan Contracting Inc. - contractor

704 Caroline Street

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits;

address; exceptions - homeowner only

Sec. 14-40 Permits in historic districts - home owner only Sec. 18-117 Acts declared unlawful (1) - contractor only

Officer Leonardo Hernandez

Certified Service: 8-12-2015 - property owner

Hand Served: 9-16-2015 - contractor

Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### Continuance granted to October 21, 2015

**Count 1:** For failure to obtain a building permit prior to the removal of a wooden deck. **Count 2:** For failure to obtain a certificate of appropriateness prior to the removal of a wooden deck. **Count 3:** For working outside the scope of your contractors license.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue the case for T Tyan Contracting to October 21, 2015. He found Karen & Delmar Lewis in violation and imposed Administrative Fees in the amount of \$250. The Court reserves the right to impose fines if compliance is not obtained by November 18, 2015.

#### 15 Case # 15-1044

Key Cove Landings LLC Christopher Belland - R/A Ben McPherson - violator 3 Key Cove Drive

Sec. 18-601 License required

Sec. 122-1371 Transient living accommodations in residential

dwellings; regulations

Sec. 122-269 Prohibited uses

Sec. 66-87 Business tax receipt required for all holding themselves out

to be engaged in business
Officer Leonardo Hernandez
Certified Service: 8-14-2015 - R/A
Certified Service: 8-14-2015 - violator

# New Case - Settlement Agreement Repeat / Irreparable violation

**Count 1:** A transient rental license is required to rent this property transiently. **Count 2:** The subject property was rented from August 8 through August 15, contrary to city ordinances. **Count 3:** Transient rentals are prohibited in Medium Density Residential district (MDR). **Count 4:** A business tax receipt is required to rent your property.

A Settlement Agreement was presented to the Special Magistrate which he approved. The Respondent stipulates to the imposition of costs of \$250. Also imposed is a fine of \$4,837.50 for a total amount of \$5,087.50. The Respondent agrees to a suspended fine of \$5,000. Suspension will be for 60 months.

#### 16 Case # 14-1110

JP Morgan Chase Bank National Association

905 Emma Street

Sec. 90-363 Certificate of occupancy - required

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits;

address; exceptions

Officer Barbara Meizis Certified Service: 9-2-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### Continuance granted to October 21, 2015

**Count 1:** Two more units were added to this single family home without benefit of a certificate of occupancy. **Count 2:** A building permit is required prior to added to units to this single family home.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to October 21, 2015.

#### 17 Case # 15-165

Natividad Vila L/E Ines M Brown T/C 1324 20th Terrace

Sec. 90-356 Building permits required Sec. 90-365 Violations and penalties

Officer Barbara Meizis Posted: 3-19-2015

Certified Service: 5-12-2015 - Ines Brown

Initial Hearing: 4-29-2015

## Continued from July 29, 2015 for compliance Extended compliance date from 6-24-15 to 7-29-15

**Count 1:** Building permits are required prior to construction of the addition. **Count 2:** Constructed an addition on the side of the structure in the setbacks without a building permit.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to October 21, 2015 for compliance.

#### 18 Case # 15-704

**Emilio Noste** 

2213 Staples Avenue

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits;

address; exceptions

Sec. 18-117 Acts declared unlawful

Officer Barbara Meizis Certified Service: 8-3-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance August 10, 2015, request dismissal

Count 1: For failure to obtain a building permits for construction of the

front porch, railings and steps; installation of windows and window frames; doors and door frames on both structures; and the installation of wood siding on both structures. **Count 2:** For aiding and abetting unlicensed contractors.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 19 Case # 15-835

Conch Electric Cars of Key West

Renata Lavenir Albert Kelley, R/A 100 Grinnell Street

Sec. 18-359 Identification by decal Sec. 18-351 Registration of rental units

Officer Barbara Meizis Certified Service: 9-3-2015 Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance September 21, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** Observed at least 12 electric cars parked at the terminal and 2 across the street without the decals permanently affixed. **Count 2:** Only 12 electric cars are licensed for this location.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 20 Case # 15-915

Martin Busam

3500 Flagler Avenue

Sec. 62-31 Maintenance of area between property line and adjacent

paved roadway

Officer Barbara Meizis

Certified Service:

Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance September 28, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** There has been a very large pile of yard debris and black yard waste bags on the city right of way since July 15, 2015.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 21 Case # 14-1737

Adrienne Curran 1408 Albury Street

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits

Sec. 14-40 Permits in historic district

Officer Jim Young

Certified Service: 4-6-2015 Initial Hearing: 5-27-2015

#### In compliance September 25, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** A building permit is required to replace the window. Exceeded the scope of a building permit by installing brick pavers on more than 60% of the property. **Count 2:** HARC approval is required to replace the window. Also, the cameras that were installed are not supposed to be visible from the street.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 22 Case # 15-220

Isabelle Holloway 3227 Harriet Avenue

Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits

Officer Jim Young

Certified Service: 3-27-2015 Initial Hearing: 5-27-2015

#### Continued from August 26, 2015 for compliance

**Count 1:** A building permit is required prior to the removal of a section of the balcony.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to continue this case to October 21, 2015 for compliance.

#### 23 Case # 15-1037

Homes Away, LLC

DBA: VRBO

c/o Brian Sharples, CEO c/o Tammy Diane Dey, R/A

313 Truman, LLC

c/o Thomas M Bowlus, R/A

313 Truman Avenue

Sec. 122-1371 Transient living accommodations in residential

dwellings; regulations Officer Jim Young

Certified Service: 8-31-2015 - CEO Certified Service: 8-21-2015 - LLC

Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance September 14, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** On 6 Aug 15 this property was being advertised for transient rental at a price of \$232 per night with a 10 day minimum on VRBO.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 24 Case # 15-1052

Diego Pedraza

416 Petronia Street 1

Sec. 18-601 Transient license required

Sec. 122-1371 Transient living accommodations in residential

dwellings; regulations (d)(9)

Officer Jim Young Posted: 9-22-2015 Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### In compliance September 29, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** A transient license is required to rent property transiently. **Count 2:** On August 10, 2015, this property was being advertised on Airbnb.com for transiently rental at \$180.00 per night.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 25 Case # 15-1033

James & Roberta Holtzinger

1801 N Roosevelt Blvd Kingfisher Pier

Sec. 66-87 Business tax receipt required for all holding themselves out

to be engaged in business

Sec. 122-130 Uses prohibited - semipublic services district (PS)

Officer Jim Young

Certified Service: 8-14-2015 Initial Hearing: 8-26-2015

#### In compliance September 23, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** A business tax receipt is required to rent your houseboat. **Count 2:** Transient rentals are prohibited in the semipublic services district (PS)

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

#### 26 Case #15-1068

Homes Away, LLC c/o Brian Sharples, CEO

c/o Tammy Diane Dey, R/A

Raymon B Fogg, Jr. Rev. Tr. 9/1/2000

1501 Olivia Street

Sec. 122-1371 Transient living accommodations in residential

dwellings; regulations Officer Jim Young

Certified Service: 8-31-2015 - CEO Certified Service: 8-21-2015 - LLC

Initial Hearing: 9-30-2015

#### In compliance September 10, 2015, request dismissal

**Count 1:** On 14 Aug 15 this property was being advertised for transient rental at a price of \$200 per night with a 10 night minimum on VRBO.

The Special Magistrate granted the request to dismiss this case.

Liens

27 Case # 14-1798

Matthew Boucher 3128 Riviera Drive Posted: 9-10-2015

Continue to September 30, 2015 for service

The Special Magistrate approved filing of the lien.

Adjournment