



THE CITY OF KEY WEST
Code Compliance Division
P.O. BOX 1409
KEY WEST, FL 33041
(305) 809-3740

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

DATE: May 11, 2012
RE: CASE NUMBER 12-526

CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT#: 7007 3020 0000 5345 6103

To:
James E & Laura D Thornbrugh
317 Blackbeard Road
Little Torch Key, FL 33042

Subject Address:
2014 Roosevelt Drive
Key West, FL 33040

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Key West Code Compliance Division has requested the City of Key West Special Magistrate to conduct an administrative hearing regarding code violation(s) reported to you by **NOTICE OF CODE VIOLATION** concerning the above noted subject address. You were noticed that your property is in violation of the City of Key West Code of Ordinances for the following reason(s):

Count 1: Owner and tenant signed a one-year lease beginning March 1, 2010 and ending March 31, 2011. Keys Energy states lease is still valid.

Sec. 66-87. - Business tax receipt required for all holding themselves out to be engaged in business.

No person shall engage in, manage, carry on or practice, wholly or in part, within the city limits, any business, profession or occupation without first procuring a city business tax receipt. For the purposes of this article, any person holding himself out to the public by sign, printed matter, telephone directory classified section, city directory or otherwise as being engaged in business or as offering services or property to the public for a consideration, regardless of whether such person actually transacts any business or practices a profession, shall be considered as engaging in business and shall be liable for a business tax receipt fee thereon.

To wit: Obtain business tax receipt from City of Key West Licensing Division.

Count 2: The solid waste account is past due.

Sec. 58-63. - Delinquency.

(a) Solid waste charges shall become delinquent 20 days after date of billing.

(b) Any solid waste service charge which becomes delinquent shall be assessed a one-time penalty charge, which shall appear on the next billing statement, of the greater of \$5.00 or 15 percent of the delinquent service charge amount. If any rates, fees or charges established for the use and privilege of use of the city solid waste collection system shall not be paid within 30 days after the rates, fees or charges shall become due and payable, the city may, at the expiration of such 30-day period and after 15 days' written notice, which notice may be given and may run within the 30-day period, disconnect the premises from the sewer system for which the solid waste rates, fees or charges have not been paid. The owner of the premises may cause to have his premises reconnected at his own expense with the sewer system, provided that the owner pays to the city its actual cost of disconnecting the premises and all delinquent solid waste rates, fees or charges.

To wit: Payment needs to be made to bring the account up to date. The combined amount due (sewer and solid waste) is \$1,824.73.

Count 3: The sewer account is past due.

Sec. 74-206. - Owner's responsibility for payment.

The owner of the property being served the city sewer system shall be responsible for payment of all amounts due from rates and charges established by this article.

To wit: Payment needs to be made to bring the account up to date. The combined amount due (sewer and solid waste) is \$1,824.73.

In accordance with Florida Statutes § 162 and Code of Ordinances, City of Key West, § 2-631 through § 2-647, The City of Key West has scheduled a hearing to be held at **Old City Hall, 510 Greene Street, Key West, Florida at 1:30 P.M. on:**

June 12, 2012

The Chambers will be open at 1:00 PM. These proceedings may be televised.

The purpose of this hearing is to determine if a violation(s) exists, the appropriate action to be taken, if any is required, and if any fines or penalties are to be imposed. **YOU ARE REQUESTED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING** to present evidence and/or testimony to show cause, if any, why you should not comply with City Ordinances. **YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A FINE OR PENALTY BEING IMPOSED AGAINST YOU AND A LIEN BEING IMPOSED UPON YOUR PROPERTY.**

You have a right to have an attorney present at the hearing. If an attorney represents you, your attorney must file written notice with this office prior to the hearing date.

If you intend to request a continuance from the Hearing Date set out above you must submit a written request for a continuance addressed to the Special Magistrate and mailed to PO Box 1409, Key West, FL 33041 or delivered to the Special Magistrate's Legal Analyst at 3139 Riviera Drive, Key West, FL 33040. All requests must be received at least five (5) working days prior to the Hearing Date set out above. If the request is not received five (5) working days prior to the Hearing Date you or your attorney must appear on the Hearing Date to petition the Special Magistrate for a continuance. If any continuance is granted this will not stay discovery and all records previously requested must be supplied to the City or formally objected to.

Be advised that, if you decide to appeal any decision of the Special Magistrate in this code enforcement hearing, you shall be responsible to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings of this code enforcement hearing is made, such that any evidence and testimony upon which an appeal may be based can be submitted to the appellate court.

If you are found to be in violation of City of Key West Ordinances, administrative costs in the amount of **\$250.00** may be levied for administrative recovery for prosecution and investigation in addition to levied fines associated with the violation(s). **Failure to pay these costs will result in a lien against the property in violation.**

PER FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 162.09, YOUR FAILURE TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION (S) MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF A FINE OF UP TO \$250.00/DAY, AND \$500.00/DAY FOR A REPEAT VIOLATION. IF THE VIOLATION (S) IS IRREPARABLE OR IRREVERSIBLE, A FINE OF UP TO \$5000.00 MAY BE IMPOSED BY THE SPECIAL MAGISTRATE. FINES MAY BE IMPOSED ON A PER DAY/ PER VIOLATION BASIS.



Leonardo Hernandez
Code Compliance Officer
City of Key West

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