

THE CITY OF KEY WEST

Code Compliance Division

P.O. BOX 1409 KEY WEST, FL 33041 (305) 809-3740

NOTICE OF IRREPARABLE CODE VIOLATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

DATE: October 10, 2012 RE: CASE NUMBER 12-1484

CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT#:

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To:

Conch Shell Properties Inc. Fouad Samaha R/A 905 Von Phister Street Key West, FL 33040 Subject Address: Hard Rock Café 313 Duval Street 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: Sec. 62-1. - Deposits of oil, grease or other waste.

It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or allow to be caused any oil, grease or other waste matter to flow or otherwise be placed upon any right-of-way, street, alley, swale, public square or sidewalk within the city. Violations shall be punishable as provided in section 1-15.

To wit: Grease receptacle from the Hard Rock Café spilled onto Rose Lane, down Duval Street towards Caroline Street on October 6, 2012 at \sim 4:45 pm. The sidewalk and street needed to be closed for the cleanup.

For you information: Sec. 26-222. - Hazardous substances, recovery of costs.

- (a) The fire department is hereby authorized to take such steps as necessary to clean up, remove or abate the effects of any hazardous substances discharged upon or into public or private property or facilities located within the corporate limits of the city.
- (b) Any person or persons responsible for causing or allowing an unauthorized discharge of hazardous substances that requires emergency action by the fire department or its authorized agents in order to protect the public health, safety or welfare shall be jointly and severally liable to the city for the costs incurred by the city in investigating, mitigating, minimizing, removing and abating any such discharge.



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:

November 14, 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.

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Code Compliance Officer

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