

**City of Key West** 

**Case Number CC2022-01373** 

Description: Unlicensed contractor - Key West Electric INC.

Type: UNLICENSED BUSINESS

Opened: 10/6/2022 Closed: Last Action: 1/26/2023 Fllw Up: 10/20/2022

Site Address: 1518 LAIRD ST KEY WEST, FL 33040

Site APN: 00061020-000000 Officer: Paul A. Navarro

Details:



#### ADDITIONAL SITES LINKED CASES

	CHRONOLOGY						
CHRONOLOGY TYPE	STAFF NAME	ACTION DATE	COMPLETION DATE	NOTES			
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING	Ismery Hernandez	12/15/2022	12/16/2022	This case was previously granted a continuance to 26 January 2023			
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING	Ismery Hernandez	1/26/2023					
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING	Paul A. Navarro	11/17/2022	11/17/2022	This case was previously granted a continuance to 15 December 2022.			
NOTICE OF VIOLATION W/HEARING	Paul A. Navarro	10/6/2022	10/6/2022				

	CONTACTS							
NAME TYPE	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	FAX	EMAIL			
OWNER	ALTSHULER MICHAEL	1607 Kings Forest Trl Mount Airy, MD 21771						



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#### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

	INSPECTIONS						
INSPECTION TYPE	INSPECTOR	SCHEDULED DATE	COMPLETED DATE	RESULT	REMARKS	NOTES	
FOLLOW UP	PN	10/20/2022	10/20/2022			On October 20, 2022 the subject unlicensed contractor (Jorge Sanchez 786-296-6853) called me and stated that he is no acting as unlicensed contractor within key west, that he's been doing it for over 18 years and that he is working on getting his state license.  He also sent me an email with his packet for the electrical state license, however I told him that only the Magistrate has the authority to grand a continuance if he is getting his license soon.	



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INITIAL INSPECTION	PN	10/6/2022	10/6/2022			To wit: On October 6, 2022, I was informed by the Code Director (Jim Young) that he was notified that Key West Electric INC. which is own by Jorge A Sanchez was hired and completed a project at 1518 Laird St and that they are not licensed.  The statement proposal that was executed under State License #ER 13013719 that belongs to JC ELECTRIC OF THE FLORIDA KEYS INC (Juan Carlos Morales) was obtained by Code.  JC Electric of the Florida Keys applied (BLD2022-2862) for the work that took place at the subject property, no permit issued, or inspections performed as of October 6, 2022.  Upon further investigation I found a website and social media for Key West Electric INC. adverting electrical work within Key West.  It should be noted that I was not able to locate a State, County or City License or any other electrical qualifications for Key West Electric Inc. own by Jorge A. Sanchez.  Because an electrical project was estimated and completed by the subject unlicensed contractor an Irreparable Notice of Code Violation / Administrative Hearing will be issue to him and to the allegedly licensed contractor vouching for his statement proposals and applying for the work.
				VIOLATI	ONS	
VIOLATION TYPE	USER NAME	OBSERVED DATE	CORRECTED DATE	LOCATION	REMARKS	NOTES
						Count 3: Sec. 14-262 Request for inspection.
						A request for the inspection of electrical work, such as roughing-in, equipment installations, final inspection or electrical work for light, heat or



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Sec. 14-262 Request for inspection	Paul A. Navarro	10/12/2022	power of any character, must be building department as soon as the The request for inspection must be person installing the wiring, and fa such inspection constitutes a violate of Code Director (Jim Young) that he was completed and that they are not the statement proposal that was a state license #ER 13013719 that ELECTRIC OF THE FLORIDA KEYS IN Morales) was obtained by JC Electric of the Florida Keys app 2862) for the work that took place property, no permit issued, or performed as of October (Upon further investigation I found social media for Key West Electric electrical work within Key It should be noted that I was not a state, Country or City License or any qualifications for Key West Electric Jorge A. Sanchez.  Because an electrical project was completed by the subject unlicense Irreparable Notice of Code V Administrative Hearing will be issue the allegedly licensed contractor was statement proposals and applyin Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action: Please visit or co Key West Building Department at 13 Corrective Action:	ne job is ready. The made by the dilure to request tion of this Code. Informed by the was notified that we by Jorge A a project at 1518 of licensed. Executed under belongs to JC NC (Juan Carlos y Code. Is lied (BLD2022-e at the subject inspections 6, 2022. If a website and INC. adverting y West. In able to locate a y other electrical ric Inc. own by  estimated and ed contractor an fiolation / Ite to him and to youching for his g for the work.
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			(305) 809-3956; to schedule inspections for the unpermitted work.
			Count 4: Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits; address; exceptions.  (a)Building permit required; display. Building permits shall be procured from the chief building official before performance of any work or construction of any character, whether permanent or temporary. Within 48 hours after it is issued, the
			applicant must cause the permit to be posted and displayed at the work site so that it is readily visible from an adjacent public street throughout the term of the work. No work shall be performed unless a proper permit is so posted.  Inspections may not be performed if the permit is not posted and address numbers are not a minimum of 4" high and clearly visible from the street.
			Exception 1: Total contract price less than \$1,000.00 per FBC Sect. 105.2.2 Minor Repairs. Ordinary minor repairs may be made with the approval of the chief building official without a building permit, provided the repairs do not include the cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support, or the removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangements of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; additionally, ordinary minor repairs shall not include addition
			to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electrical circuit wiring systems or mechanical equipment or other work affecting public health or



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Sec. 14-37 Building permits; professional plans; display of permits; address; exceptions	Paul A. Navarro	10/12/2022		general safety, and such repairs shall not violate any of the provisions of the technical codes.  Any new electrical circuits or wiring will require a permit.  Any new plumbing fixtures or piping will require a permit.  Exception 2: Painting, both interior and exterior, residential or commercial does not require a permit. Tile repair or installation, floor covering, including carpet, laminate, resilient, and wood, both residential and commercial, do not require a permit.  Work that falls under the \$1,000.00 threshold for a building permit may be performed only by the property owner or a licensed contractor.  Unlicensed workers, including 'handymen' are not allowed to conduct any type of work to a residential or commercial structure.  (b)Professional plans required. Professional plans shall be required as follows:(1)Plans for work requiring a building permit shall be submitted in multiple sets, as determined by the chief building official, to the chief building official and shall be prepared by, and bear the seal of, an architect or structural engineer duly registered in the state, except if the work is by the owner-occupant upon a one- or two-family residence, and the work is cosmetic, nonstructural repair, alteration or addition.(2)Notwithstanding subsection (b)(1) of this section, plans for work which requires a building permit and which involves mechanical, plumbing or electrical repairs, alterations or



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additions shall be prepared by and shall bear the impress seal of an engineer duly registered in the state, as reasonably required in the interest of health and safety by the chief building official.

(3)The chief building official may waive the requirements in [subsection] (b)(1) and/or (2) by special permission.

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					Corrective Action: Please visit or contact the City of Key West Building Department at 1300 White St or 305) 809-3956; to apply for and obtain all after the fact permits.
					Count 1: Sec. 18-150 Certificate of competency required.
				p a	(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business or act in the capacity of a contractor, subcontractor, specialty contractor, electrician or maintenance personnel or perform any trade, as defined in section 18-116, anywhere within the city limits without a current valid certificate of competency issued by the building official having jurisdiction over the several trades concerned.  Specialty contractors shall be subject to the requirements of sections 18-152 and 18-154 regarding applications and examinations.  (b) Any person not possessing a current certificate of competency and holding himself out as plaintiff or defendant in any court of this state or advertising in a newspaper or otherwise to be a contractor shall be subject to the provisions and cenalties of this article, and a certified copy of such court records or a copy of the newspaper or other devertising making such an assertion shall be prima facie evidence in court or in any other proceeding authorized by this article that the person purported to have the capacity to act as a
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Sec. 18-150 Certificate of competency required	Paul A. Navarro	10/6/2022		s	Code Director (Jim Young) that he was notified that Key West Electric INC. which is own by Jorge A Sanchez was hired and completed a project at 1518 Laird St and that they are not licensed. The statement proposal that was executed under



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	Count 2: Section. 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



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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.

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**ATTACHMENTS**