

CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING MINUTES

July 11, 2022 - 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Erica Augello, Special Magistrate
Matthew McConnell, Assistant City Attorney
Ginny Keeter-Bodkin, Deputy City Clerk
Peyt Dewar, Code Enforcement Manager
Jeremy Cottrell, Code Enforcement Officer
Jordan Hoft, Code Enforcement Officer

Special Magistrate Augello called the hearing to order and performed the Administration of Oath.

2. Changes to the Agenda – Code Enforcement Manager Peyt Dewar asked that Case# 20220266 (4c.) be heard first as their Attorney was present.

3. Cases Complied or Continued

4. New Cases

A. Case No. 20220399 City of St. Pete Beach v. Prince Holdings LLC Inc.

Address: 7701 Coquina Way St Pete Beach FL 33706

Sec. 10.2. - Permitted principal uses and structures

Code Enforcement Officer Jeremy Cottrell presented the case and evidence for the City. The property is currently compliant. Per the evidence provided, the City is asking for fines of \$250 per day from 6/21/22 to 7/8/22 plus administrative costs. Assistant City Attorney McConnell clarified that the notice of violation specified a compliance date of 6/21/22 and the property was in violation after that date; a copy of rental logs is requested.

Respondent John Prince of 431 Pine Dale Drive, Guntersville, AL, appeared and testified that he complied as soon as he received the notice, and that he understands the ordinance going forward. Mr. McConnell clarified that this district does not allow any short-term rentals at all.

Special Magistrate Augello found that the property and Respondent were in violation from 6/21/22 to 7/8/22 and assessed a fine of \$100 per day plus administrative costs. The Respondent must submit proof of rentals or a log through the end of the year.

B. Case No. 20220430 St. Pete Beach v. Juan Martin Bulgeroni, Iara Martha Bussey

Address: 105 13th Ave St Pete Beach FL 33706

Sec. 20.03. - Permitted principal uses and structures.

Code Enforcement Officer Jordan Hoft presented the case and evidence for the City which included short term Airbnb reviews from April and June. The property became compliant on 6/26/22. Mr. Dewar added the Airbnb policy into evidence.

Respondent Iara Bussey testified that she lives in Argentina, bought the property in April during the pandemic, was not aware of short-term rental restrictions, and kept the same listing of the previous owners. Mr. McConnell clarified that this district allows three short term rentals per year, therefore no more are allowed until April of 2023; he requested rental logs to the end of this year.

Special Magistrate Augello found that the property and Respondent were in violation of the cited Code section. Administrative costs will be imposed but no fines; the property may not be rented short term until April of 2023 and proof of rentals through this year are to be submitted. Future violations of this code within 5 years may incur fines of \$550 per day.

C Case No. 20220266 City of St. Pete Beach v. Sybal Jane Barrido
Address: 109 5th Ave St Pete Beach FL 33706
Sec. 20.03. - Permitted principal uses and structures

Attorney Bryan Dion of Johnson Pope, 490 1st Avenue S., St. Petersburg, appeared for Respondent Sybal Barrido to request a one-month continuance for this matter. Mr. McConnell clarified that the continuation would be to apply for the short-term rental grandfathering process with the City.

Special Magistrate Augello continued the matter to the date certain of August 8, 2022.

5. **Old Cases** – None.
6. **Repeat Violation** – None.
7. **Lien Reductions** –
8. **Next Meeting:** August 8, 2022.
9. There being no further business, the hearing was adjourned at 10:17 AM.

Attest:



Amber LaRowe, City Clerk