MUNICIPAL CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA AFFIDAVIT OF VIOLATION AND REQUEST FOR HEARING

NAME OF VIOLATOR: MAILING ADDRESS: VIOLATION ADDRESS: FLORIDA SUNSHINE III LLC 210 SHORE DR PALM HARBOR, FL 34683-5440 1252 ELDRIDGE ST CLEARWATER, FL

DATE OF OFFICIAL NOTICE OF VIOLATION:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES BLK D, LOT 14

PARCEL #: 10-29-15-18450-004-0140

DATE OF INSPECTION: 9/21/2023 2:06:00 PM

SECTION(S) OF THE CITY CODE WHICH HAVE BEEN VIOLATED: CODE SECTION VIOLATED

3-1503.B.7. - **LOT CLEARING VIOLATION** Excessive growth or accumulation of weeds, grass, undergrowth or other similar plant materials, reaching a height of more than twelve (12**) inches, or the accumulation of debris upon property within the City of Clearwater.

SPECIFICALLY,

PLEASE CLEAR ALL OVERGROWTH A violation exists and a request for hearing is being made Gregory Dixor SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me by means of physical presence or online notarization on this 21st day of September, 2023, by Gregory Dixon. STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF PINELLAS

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CITY CASE#: PNU2023-00859



CITY OF CLEARWATER

Planning & Development Department Post Office Box 4748, Clearwater, Florida 33758-4748 Municipal Services Building, 100 South Myrtle Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33756 Telephone (727) 562-4720 Fax (727) 562-4735

Lot Clearing Notice of Violation

FLORIDA SUNSHINE III LLC 210 SHORE DR PALM HARBOR, FL 34683-5440

PNU2023-00859

ADDRESS OR LOCATION OF VIOLATION: 1252 ELDRIDGE ST PARCEL: 10-29-15-18450-004-0140 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES BLK D, LOT 14

DATE OF INSPECTION: 9/6/2023

An inspection of this property discloses and it has been found and determined that a lot clearing violation exits on this property and/or public right-of-way abutting this property constituting a violation of:

- X Section 3-1503.B.7. which constitutes: Excessive growth or accumulation of weeds, grass, undergrowth or other similar plant materials, reaching a height of more than twelve (12) inches, or the accumulation of debris upon property within the City of Clearwater.
- Section 3-1503.B.8. which constitutes: The lack of maintenance by a property owner of property abutting any dedicated right-of-way in the city in a condition such that weeds or trash are found in and on the right-of-way or such that the weeds, shrubs, vegetation, trash, or any other accumulation extend over the sidewalk, bicycle path, curbline or edge of pavement of an improved right-of-way or private accessway or roadway by more than four (4) inches.
- Section 3-1503.B.10. which constitutes: The lack of maintenance by a property owner abutting any dedicated right-of-way or easement in the city where a height clearance of less than eight (8) feet from the sidewalk pavement measured vertically from the pavement surface is maintained, unless an exception has been granted by the urban forester.
- Section 3-1503.B.5.a. which constitutes: Any accumulation of weeds, debris, trash, garden trash, junk, untended growth of vegetation, or undergrowth of dead or living vegetation or hazardous swimming pools, or hazardous trees upon any private property, or on any public property without authorization to the extent and manner that such property contains or is likely to contain rodents, reptiles or other vermin, or furnishes a breeding place for flies, mosquitoes, or wood-destroying insects, or otherwise threatens the public health, safety or welfare.

Specifically: PLEASE CLEAR ALL OVERGROWTH.

THIS VIOLATION SHALL BE CORRECTED BY 9/16/2023

You are to remedy the above described condition by the above-described correction date. If you do not remedy the condition by the above-described date then a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, 9/27/2023, at 1:30 p.m. before the Municipal Code Enforcement Board in the Council Chambers, Clearwater Main Library, 100 N Osceola Ave, Clearwater, FL 33755 concerning the above described violation. Failure to appear may result in the Board proceeding in your absence.



CITY OF CLEARWATER POST OFFICE BOX 4748, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA 33758-4748 MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUILDING, 100 SOUTH MYRTLE AVENUE, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA 33756 TELEPHONE (727) 562-4720 FAX (727) 562-4735

You have the right to obtain an attorney, at your own expense, to represent you before the Board. If you are absent but represented at the hearing, your representative must present to the Board your letter authorizing your representative to speak on your behalf. You will have the opportunity to present witnesses as well as question witnesses against you prior to the Board making a determination. Please be prepared to present evidence at the hearing concerning the amount of time necessary to correct the alleged violations should you be found to be in violation of the City Code.

The case shall be presented to the Board even if the violations described above are corrected prior to the Board hearing if compliance is met after the compliance date set forth above.

Should you be found in violation of the City Code, the Municipal Code Enforcement Board has the power by law to allow the City to make all reasonable repairs which are required to bring the property into compliance and charge you with the reasonable cost of the repairs along with daily fines which may become a lien on all non-exempt real and personal property you own.

If you wish to have any witnesses subpoenaed, please contact the Secretary of the Municipal Code Enforcement Board within five (5) days at 727-562-4097. If you have any questions regarding the cited violations or if the violations are corrected prior to the hearing, please contact the Inspector whose name appears below.

Code Inspector

Date Printed: 9/6/2023

727-444-8717 gregory.dixon@myclearwater.com

Gregory Dixon

Section 3-1503. - Nuisances.

- A. No person owning, leasing, operating, occupying or having control of any premises within the city shall maintain, keep or permit any nuisance affecting the citizens of the city.
- B. The existence of any of the following specific conditions or conduct is hereby declared to constitute a public nuisance:
 - 1. A condition or use that causes a substantial diminution of value of property in the vicinity of the condition or use.
 - 2. Buildings which are abandoned, boarded up for a period of six months, partially destroyed for any period of time, or left for a period of three months in a state of partial construction, provided that any unfinished building or structure which has been under construction six months or more shall be deemed and presumed to have been left for an unreasonably long period of time in the sense of this subsection.
 - 3. Any attractive nuisance dangerous to children in the form of abandoned or broken equipment, accessible artificial bodies of water, excavations, or neglected machinery.
 - 4. Overt blocking of drainage pipes, ditches, channels, and streams, so as to cause flooding and adversely affect surrounding property.
 - 5. Accumulation and placement of nuisances.
 - a. Any accumulation of weeds, debris, trash, garden trash, junk, untended growth of vegetation, or undergrowth of dead or living vegetation or hazardous swimming pools, or hazardous trees upon any private property, or on any public property without authorization to the extent and manner that such property contains or is likely to contain rodents, reptiles or other vermin, or furnishes a breeding place for flies, mosquitoes, or wood-destroying insects, or otherwise threatens the public health, safety or welfare.
 - b. The placement of trash, debris or other items on public property without authorization.
 - 6. Except as provided in <u>section 3-1506</u>, the outdoor storage of all or part of any dismantled, partially dismantled, inoperative or discarded vehicle, recreational vehicle, machinery, appliance, farm equipment, aircraft, construction equipment, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, truck, motorcycle, bicycle, or scrap metal, on any public or private property, or of any abandoned vehicle, recreational vehicle, farm equipment, aircraft, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, truck, or motorcycle on any private property, within the city limits. This provision shall not apply to any vehicle, recreational vehicle, machinery, farm equipment, aircraft, construction equipment, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, truck or motorcycle on alw private property, farm equipment, aircraft, construction equipment, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, truck, motorcycle, or bicycle which is located on the premises of a lawfully established storage yard or which is on the premises of a lawfully established vehicle service establishment and is in the process of repair or maintenance by that establishment.

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- 7. Excessive growth or accumulation of weeds, grass, undergrowth or other similar plant materials, reaching a height of more than 12 inches, or the accumulation of debris upon property within the City of Clearwater.
- 8. The lack of maintenance by a property owner of property abutting any dedicated right-of-way in the city in a condition such that weeds or trash are found in and on the right-of-way or such that the weeds, shrubs, vegetation, trash, or any other accumulation extend over the sidewalk, bicycle path, curbline or edge of pavement of an improved right-of-way or private accessway or roadway by more than four inches.
- 9. Any other condition or use that constitutes a nuisance to the public, generally, which is continually or repeatedly maintained, the abatement of which would be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the city.
- 10. The lack of maintenance by a property owner abutting any dedicated right-of-way or easement in the city where a height clearance of less than eight feet from the sidewalk pavement measured vertically from the pavement surface is maintained, unless an exception has been granted by the urban forester.
- 11. Any shopping carts, as defined in Florida Statutes Section 506.502(10), as amended from time to time, or parts of such carts, which are abandoned on public property including but not limited to streets, sidewalks, public rights-of-way, bus stops, municipal parking lots, parks, and similar places owned, leased, or operated by any public body, or are abandoned on private property where said carts or parts thereof are visible from public property may be removed by the city manager or designee. Such shopping carts or parts thereof shall be impounded and stored by the city at an appropriate location. Whenever the city shall impound a shopping cart of [or] part thereof containing identification of ownership or right to possession, a notice shall be sent by ordinary mail to such person advising that the shopping cart of [or] part thereof may be removal and storage. Any shopping cart or part thereof so held shall be returned to its owner or person having right of possession upon proof of ownership or right to possession and payment of costs for removal and storage. If not claimed, a shopping cart or part thereof may be sold, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of by the city 31 days following impoundment. This section shall not be applicable to:
 - a. Shopping carts or parts thereof which are located on private property and are completely enclosed within a building where they are not visible from public property;
 - b. Shopping carts which are stored in a lawful manner on public or private property owned or leased by a retail business in connection with which the shopping carts are authorized to be used;

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Shopping carts or parts thereof which are stored in a lawful manner on private property in connection with the business of a licensed dismantler or junk dealer when such storage is necessary to the operation of a lawfully conducted business.

- 12. *Newsracks and vending machines.* Any newsrack on public property not in compliance with the provisions of <u>section 3-909</u>, other than subsection <u>3-909</u>(A)(5), or any newsrack or vending machine installed, used or maintained at a location which constitutes an imminent danger or safety hazard to pedestrians or vehicles or otherwise unreasonably interferes with the safe use of any public right-of-way.
- 13. Seawalls. Any seawall in a condition where the structural integrity is not maintained.
- 14. *Graffiti*. Graffiti on any wall, post, column, or other building or structure, or to a tree, or other exterior surface, publicly or privately owned, within the City of Clearwater.
- C. Violations of this Section may be enforced by action before the municipal code enforcement board as "nuisance cases" or "non-nuisance cases" pursuant to the corresponding procedures set forth in <u>Section 7-102</u>, or by citation pursuant to Code of Ordinances Section 1.12.

(Ord. No. 6417-99, § 9, 8-19-99; Ord. No. 6526-00, § 1, 6-15-00; Ord. No. 6573-00, § 2, 8-3-00; Ord. No. 6928-02, §§ 76---79, 5-2-02; Ord. No. 7449-05, §§ 21---23, 12-15-05; Ord. No. 7605-06, § 27, 4-20-06; Ord. No. 8211-10, § 12, 10-5-10)

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

City Case Number: PNU2023-00859

Site of Violation: 1252 ELDRIDGE ST

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1. Gregory Dixon, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

- 2. That I am a Code Inspector employed by the City of Clearwater.
- 3. That on the 6th day of September, 2023, a copy of the attached Notice of Violation was posted at City of Clearwater Offices, 600 Cleveland St., 6th Floor, Clearwater, Florida and at 1252 ELDRIDGE ST, Clearwater, Florida.

Sregory Dixon ode Inspector 727-444-8717 gregery.dixon@myclearwater.com

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me by means of _____ physical presence or _____ online notarization on this 6th day of September, 2023, by Gregory Dixon.

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PLEASE NOTE - LOCATION CHANGE

September 13, 2023

FLORIDA SUNSHINE III LLC 210 SHORE DR PALM HARBOR, FL 34683-5440

RE: Municipal Code Enforcement Board Case PNU2023-00859 1252 ELDRIDGE ST, Clearwater

Dear Sir/Madam:

Due to a maintenance issue at the Main Library, Council Chambers is not accessible. The location for the public hearing of the above-referenced case scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. will take place at the Clearwater East Community Library, Community Room, 2465 Drew St., Clearwater 33765.

Sincerely,

Nicole Sprague Municipal Code Enforcement Board Secretary

CITY OF CLEARWATER CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

City of Clearwater, Florida Petitioner

Municipal Code Enforcement Board Location Change for 09/27/23 Meeting

VS.

FLORIDA SUNSHINE III LLC 1252 ELDRIDGE ST Respondent(s)

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE/POSTING

BEFORE ME personally appeared Gregory Dixon, INSPECTOR

who deposes and states the following:

1. On the <u>II</u> day of September 2023, I personally served the

attached papers by leaving said papers with

(Name of Person Who Receives Papers) or physically posted said papers at (Address Where Papers Posted)

Clearwater, Florida.

2. On the same date I caused the attached to be posted at City Hall.

3. The above papers were posted at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled

meeting.

FURTHER Affiant sayeth naught. Inspector Gregory Dixon

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>14+n</u> day of **September** 2023 by **Inspector Gregory Dixon** who is personally known to me and who did not take an oath.

ALLIE STEWART MY COMMISSION # HH 294206 EXPIRES: November 28, 2028

Notary Public (seal below)