CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE NUISANCE ABATEMENT BOARD MINUTES CITY HALL, CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 1ST FLOOR 100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012, 7:00 P.M.

| | | Cumulative Attendance 3/2012 through 2/2013 | |
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| <u>Members</u> | <u>Attendance</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
| D. Ryan Saunders, Chair | Р | 1 | 0 |
| Dale Hoover, Vice Chair | Р | 1 | 0 |
| Louise Dowdy | Р | 1 | 0 |
| Cindy Smith | Р | 1 | 0 |
| Tom Wolf | Α | 0 | 1 |
| Alternates | | | |
| Lorraine Saunders | Р | 1 | 0 |

Staff Present

Bruce Jolly, Board Attorney Scott Walker, Assistant City Attorney Don Londeree, Assistant City Prosecutor Det. Paul Maniates

Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Clerk, Prototype Inc.

Communication to the City Commission

None

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| 6. | 11-03-02 | 414 Northwest 15 th Way – Sorto | <u>3</u> |
| 7. | 11-09-07 | 804 NW 4 th Avenue - Derynda | <u>3</u> |
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Purpose: Promote, protect, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens by imposing administrative fines and other non-criminal penalties in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of enforcing ordinances under circumstances when a pending or repeated violation continues to exist.

1. Call meeting to order; Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll call; witnesses sign log; swearing in

Ms. Chiappetta called roll and determined a quorum was present.

Witnesses were sworn in.

3 Approval of minutes for January 2012

Motion made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Dowdy, to approve the minutes of the Board's February 2012 meeting. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Cases:

4. Case Number 11-03-03
426 Northwest 14th Avenue
Residence
Owner: Lewis Tunnage

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Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates stated the property owner, Lewis Tunnage, had received notice of this meeting on 2/27/12 and was unable to attend.

Det. Maniates announced that in the past 30 days there had been three calls for service to the property with none being nuisance related. Det. Maniates said the property was in compliance. He noted jurisdiction would end on April 22, 2012 and recommended a status hearing in April 2012.

5. Case Number 11-08-05 1704 Northwest 8th Court Owner: George Peter

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Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates stated the property owner, George Peter, had received notice of this meeting on 2/25/12 and was in attendance.

Det. Maniates announced that in the past 30 days there had been no calls for service to the property. Det. Maniates had visited the property several times in the past month and found it to be in compliance. He stated jurisdiction would end in October 2012 and recommended a status hearing in May 2012.

Mr. Peter said he had evicted a tenant and been unable to rent that apartment for four months. He asked the Board to reconsider the investigative costs due to this financial hardship. Detective Maniates recommended delaying the monthly investigative costs payments until Mr. Peters had a tenant in the apartment.

Motion made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Dowdy, to hold the monthly investigative costs payments in abeyance until the apartment was rented. In a roll call vote, motion passed 5-0.

Chair Saunders requested a status hearing in April and the Board agreed

6. Case Number 11-03-02 414 Northwest 15th Way Owner: Rosa and Ventura Sorto Index

Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates stated the property owner, Ventura Sorto, had not taken receipt of notice of this hearing.

Det. Maniates announced that in the past 30 days there had been no calls for service to the property. He stated the property was in compliance and jurisdiction would end in April. Det. Maniates recommended a status hearing in April 2012.

7. Case Number 11-09-07 804 Northwest 4th Avenue Owner: John Derynda

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• Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates stated the property owner, John Derynda, was in attendance and had accepted notice of the hearing on 3/1/12.

Det. Maniates announced that in the past 30 days there had been no calls for service to the property. Det. Maniates had visited the property several times in the past month and found it to be in compliance. He recommended a status hearing in June 2012.

8. Case Number 11-12-0991 Southwest 31 AvenueBusiness Plaza – The Compound Barber Shop

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Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates stated the property owner, New Global Holdings, had received legal notice of this meeting on 2/24/12. The owner of The Compound Barbershop, Selvyn Blair, had received notice of this meeting on 2/24/12 and was present.

Det. Maniates announced that in the past 30 days there had been 1 call for service to the barber shop, which was not nuisance related. There had been 23 calls for service to the Rainbow Market, with three being nuisance related. On February 12, Officer Knapp had responded to a call from the market clerk and arrested an individual for possession of cannabis; on February 20, a person was arrested for a marijuana cigarette. On March 1, an individual had been pulled over in the parking lot and the driver arrested for marijuana possession.

Det. Maniates had visited the property on February 22 and confirmed the pool table had been removed from the barber shop and no one was loitering. The concrete barrier had been repaired but not yet painted. Det. Maniates had been informed by the restaurant owner that the parking lot at his end of the mall was much quieter.

Det. Maniates recommended a status hearing in April 2012.

Det. Maniates stated most of the other calls were trespass calls generated by store clerks.

Chair Saunders recalled that the Board had previously agreed on a 30-day trial on the barbershop's lease. Mr. Jolly stated the Board could address this in the future if desired.

9. Case Number 11-10-08 519 Northwest 23rd Avenue Parisian Motel

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Notice of Status Hearing

Det. Maniates announced that the owner, Tania Ouaknine, had received notice of this hearing on 2/21/12.

Det. Maniates reported that in the past 30 days there had been two calls for service to the property with none being nuisance related.

Det. Maniates had visited the property on 2/23/12 and given the owner the signs to display. He had visited the property on 2/27/12 and presented photos taken that day of the signs now posted on the building. He noted that as of March 6 no payments had been made. Det. Maniates said the property was not in compliance based on the non-payment. Neither Ms. Ouaknine nor her attorney was present.

Det. Maniates had confirmed that the property was licensed as an eight-room motel.

Mr. Walker reported the recommendation had been made for the City to foreclose on the property but there were two superior lien holders and the City was considering other alternatives. He said the City was considering "leveling the entire place" which would require action from the Unsafe Structures Board.

Motion made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Smith to schedule a status hearing for April to determine whether the property was in compliance and to consider imposing fines. In a roll call vote, motion passed 5-0.

10. Board Discussion

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Chair Saunders announced Mr. Walker was leaving his job at the City. He thanked Mr. Walker for his service. Det. Maniates congratulated Mr. Walker on his retirement and thanked him for his work.

Mr. Walker introduced Don Londeree, who would take his place in the City.

11. Communication to the City Commission None.

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Thereupon, with no additional business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

[Minutes prepared by Jamie Opperlee, Prototype, Inc.]