

**City of Clewiston
Special Magistrate
Regular Hearing
September 21, 2016**

The City of Clewiston Special Magistrate held its regular meeting in the city hall commission chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, on Wednesday, September 21st, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Magistrate Watt.

Attendance

Magistrate present: James L. Watt

Personnel present: Debbie McNeil and Yesenia V. Ramos

Visitor(s) present: William Pflum, Cynthia Pflum, Olga Valdes, Juan Alveranga, Anne Dyess, Miguel Carrera, Javier Lesteiro, Ana M. Lesteiro, Harold Robinson, Ernesto Vanegas, Estela Vanegas, and Al Perry

Special Magistrate Watt briefly summarized the purpose of the hearing.

Approval of the minutes from June 8, 2016: Let the record show an accurate reflection of the proceedings as presented.

Swearing in of all parties intending to present testimony.

Additions/deletions to agenda: Ms. McNeil stated; Two (2) Additions to Old Business: No. 4 and 5 16-0054 and 16-0052; Addition to Lien Reduction: No. 2 Case #15-0367 545 W. El Paso Ave.

OLD BUSINESS:

Case No. 16-0058:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0058, for the property located at 1200 S Francisco ST, owner of record, Jose Roberto & Ana Lesteiro.

Ms. McNeil stated that the violation was Illegal Construction (no permit) some improvement has been made but property is still out of compliance. Property owner is present at this time.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that Mr. Lesteiro has 30 days to bring into compliance. If said property is not brought into compliance they will have a Lien of Twenty-five Dollar (\$25) per day on property until brought into compliance.

Case 16-0058 so ordered by Mr. Watt.

Case No. 16-0038:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0038, for the property located at 831 E Sagamore Ave. Lot #11N, owner of record, Clewiston Commons, LLC.

Ms. McNeil stated that the violation is Illegal Construction (Stucco RV), and is still out of compliance. Property owner not present at this time.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that Clewiston Commons, LLC, has 30 days to bring into compliance. If said property is not brought into compliance they will have a Lien of Twenty-five Dollar (\$25) per day on property until brought into compliance.

Case #16-0038, so ordered by Mr. Watt.

Case No. 16-0113:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0113, for the property located at 421 E Ventura Ave., owner of record, Kathleen W. Beaver.

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Ms. McNeil stated that the violation is Overgrowth and is still out of compliance. Property owner is a repeat violator and is not present at this time.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that Kathleen Beaver, has 30 days to bring the property into compliance. If said property is not brought into compliance they will have a Lien of Twenty-five Dollar (\$25) per day on property until brought into compliance. Property owner is found as a repeat offender.

Case 16-0113 so ordered by Mr. Watt.

New Business

Case No. 16-0115:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0115, for the property located at 720 E Sugarland HWY, owner of record present, Yoncurty & Olga Fernandez.

Ms. McNeil stated that the original violation is Property Maintenance - Commercial, and is still out of compliance. Proper notification has been delivered.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that the property owner will have a Twenty-five Dollar (\$25) per day fine if property is not brought into compliance in Thirty (30) days. If said property has a repeat violation there will be Fifty (\$50) Dollar fine.

Special Magistrate Watt so ordered.

Case No. 16-0146:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0146, for the property located at 204 E Sugarland HWY, owner of record, Lilia Martinez.

Ms. McNeil stated that the original violation Property Maintenance Commercial. Property owner was given proper notice and was not present. At this time, it is out of compliance.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that the property owner will have a Twenty-five Dollar (\$25) per day fine if property is not brought into compliance in Thirty (30) days. If said property has a repeat violation there will be Fifty (\$50) Dollar fine.

Special Magistrate Watt stated so ordered.

Case No. 16-0265:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0265, for the property located at 804 N Berner Rd, property owner of record, Deborah & Stephen Daniel.

Ms. McNeil stated that the original notice of violation was Property Maintenance Sanitation. Reviewed pictures of violations, owner was not present and at this time it is in compliance at this time.

Case 16-0265 so ordered dismissed by Mr. Watt.

Case No. 16-0279:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 16-0279, for the property located at 315 E El Paso Ave., owner of record, Ernesto & Blanca Vanegas.

Ms. McNeil stated that the original notice of violation is Junk (1 unlicensed vehicle). At this time property is in compliance.

Case 16-0279 so ordered dismissed by Mr. Watt.

FINE ASSESSMENT: - 0

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LIEN/FINE REDUCTION:

Case No. 15-0367:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 15-0367, for the property located at 545 W. El Paso Ave., owner of record, Hector Flores & Laura Avelar.

Ms McNeil stated the fine accumulated amount at this time is \$4,350.00 and the violation was No Permit with an order of the Special Magistrate ordered June 24, 2016, as the representative of the property was not present. For the record once Ms McNeil and Yesenia Ramos made physical contact with property owners the violation was corrected immediately. Property is now in compliance.

The Special Magistrate Watt so ordered case settled, a reduction to Zero Dollars (\$0.00) is granted.

Case No. 10-0196:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 10-0196, for the property located at 611 E Sugarland HWY, owner of record, Harold Robinson.

Ms McNeil stated the lien amount is \$24,750.00 and the violation was Property Maintenance - Commercial with an order of the Special Magistrate ordered January 26th, 2011. The owner of the property is present at this time.

The Special Magistrate Watt so recommended the case settled, a recommendation of reduction in the amount of \$8,000.00, a total reduction of 67% within 30 days, if not paid within the 30 days the lien returns to its original amount due of \$24,750.00.

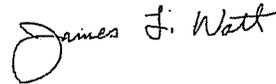
Red light camera cases

Ms. McNeil stated that there are no red light camera cases on the docket.

Magistrate Watt closed the public hearing after receiving no further comments, written or oral, from the audience or the board.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.



James Watt, Special Magistrate