TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.



Meeting Audio Available Upon Request in the Office of the Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Amity Barnard, Special Magistrate, at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, April 7, 2025.

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS, STAFF AND RESPONDENTS

ROLL CALL

Staff Present:

- Sammie Brown, FRA-RP, MEDP, Town Clerk Assistant
- John Suarez, Code Enforcement Officer
- Deangelo Campo, Code Enforcement Officer
- Caryn Gardner-Young, MPA, AICP, ESQ

Special Magistrate:

Amity R. Barnard, Esq.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 09:12 A.M.

PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL MAGISTRATE ORDERS

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Returned to: Town of Loxahatchee Groves 155 F Rd Loxahatchee Groves, FL 33470

SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA (561) 793-2418

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA,	CASE NO. 25030095
Petitioner,	
v.	

MARIA D REDA,

Respondent.

ORDER RESETTING VIOLATION HEARING

RE: Violation of Sections 92-010 and 92-015 of the Town ULDC of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LOXAHATCHEE GROVES W 200 FT OF E 780 FT OF S 250 FT OF TR 46 BLK F

STREET ADDRESS:

12891 Collecting Canal Road Loxahatchee Groves, Florida 33470

PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER:

41-41-43-17-01-646-0050

The Code Enforcement Special Magistrate heard testimony at the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate Hearing held on the 7th day of April 2025 regarding the above-referenced case and based on the evidence presented at that hearing, enters the following Findings of Fact and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent, MARIA D REDA, is the owner of the above-described property.
- 2. Respondent was not present at the hearing; however, there was a finding of proper notice.
- 3. The Town requested a continuance of the matter.

ORDER

It is the Order of the Special Magistrate that this matter is continued to May 5, 2025 at 9:00 am at the Town of Loxahatchee Groves Town Hall, 155 F Road, Loxahatchee Groves, Florida 33470.

Upon complying in any code enforcement matter, it is always the responsibility of the Respondent to contact the Code Enforcement Department at (561) 793-2418 to request a reinspection of the property.

DONE AND ORDERED THIS _____ day of April, 2025.

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE

BY

AMITY BARNARD, ESQ. SPECIAL MAGISTRATE

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SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA (561) 793-2418

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA.

CASE NO. 25030085

Petitioner,

v.

JERRY W JOHNSON & NANCY A JOHNSON,

Respondents.	
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ORDER FINDING VIOLATION

RE: Violation of Sections 92-010 and 92-015 of the ULDC of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LOXAHATCHEE GROVES E 315.65 FT OF W 631.30 FT OF S 168.85 FT OF N 1/2 OF TR 50 BLK B

STREET ADDRESS:

15156 Forest Lane Loxahatchee Groves, Florida 33470

PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER:

41-41-43-17-01-250-0020

The Code Enforcement Special Magistrate heard testimony at the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate Hearing held on the 7th day of April, 2025 regarding the above-referenced case and based on the evidence presented at that hearing, enters the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondents, JERRY W JOHNSON & NANCY A JOHNSON, are the owners of the above-described property.
- 2. Respondents were not present at the hearing; however, there was a finding of proper notice.
- 3. At the hearing on April 7, 2025, Deangelo Campo, the Town's Enforcement Officer, testified under oath and presented documentary and photographic evidence of the violation occurring on the property. The Town's documentary and photographic evidence were entered into the record as Composite Exhibit 1, without objection.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The above-stated facts constitute a violation of Sections 92-010 and 92-015 of the ULDC of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves.

ORDER

Respondents are hereby ordered to comply with Sections 92-010 and 92-015 of the ULDC of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves no later than May 7, 2025. This matter is set for a Fine Assessment Hearing on May 21, 2025 at 9:00 am at the Town of Loxahatchee Groves Town Hall, 155 F Road, Loxahatchee Groves, Florida 33470. At such hearing, a fine in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) may be assessed for each day that the violation continues to exist past May 7, 2025, the compliance deadline set by this Order.

Respondents are further assessed administrative costs in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars and Five Cents (\$234.05) for prosecuting the April 7, 2025 hearing, payable within thirty (30) days of the date of this order.

Should a dispute arise concerning compliance, either party may request a hearing before the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate on the issue of compliance only.

Should you violate the same Section of the Code again, you may be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 per day for such repeat violation. Additionally, the Code Inspector is not required to give a reasonable time to correct the repeat violation and the case may be presented to the Special Magistrate even if the repeat violation has been corrected prior to the Special Magistrate hearing.

Upon complying in any code enforcement matter, it is always the responsibility of the Respondents to contact the Code Enforcement Department at (561) 793-2418 to request a reinspection of the property.

DONE AND ORDERED THIS 7 th day of April, 2025.

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE

BY:

AMITÝ BARNARD, ESQ. SPECIAL MAGISTRATE

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