

UNSAFE STRUCTURES BOARD HEARING
MINUTES OF June 22nd, 2022

Members Present: Jason B. Trauth, Chairperson Carlos Naumann
James Starkweather, Vice Chair Lynn Matos
Aymara D. Riley Marco Gorrin
Kevin Deeb – (Virtual) Miguel Brizuela - (Virtual)

Excused Absent: Adebayo Coker Abel Ramirez

Staff: Keoki Baron, Assistant County Attorney
Andrea Gonzalez Mateo, Assistant County Attorney
Jaime Gascon, Board and Code Administration Division Director
Kathy Charles, Board Administrator
Alba Urbina, Board Administration Specialist

Court Reporter: Lorena Ramos, Miami Dade County Court Reporting Services – (Virtual)

The regular meeting of the **UNSAFE STRUCTURES BOARD** was called to order at 1:47 P.M. on Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022, on the 2nd Floor, Conference Rooms I & J, of the Herbert Saffir Permitting & Inspection Center, Department of Regulatory & Economic Resources located at 11805 SW 26th Street, Miami, Florida, 33175 and conducted with virtual meeting access using the Zoom Webinar Platform.

Mr. Jason B. Trauth requested a motion to approve and accept the minutes of May 18th, 2022 for the Unsafe Structures Board Meeting. Mr. Starkweather moved to accept the prior minutes of the Board meetings. Mr. Gorrin seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

(For a verbatim version, please refer to the transcripts)

Ms. Kathy Charles, Board Administrator, provided some general information on how the meeting would be conducted for the benefit of those attending virtually.

Reasonable Opportunity to be Heard: Ms. Charles announced an opportunity for the audience to address the Board on any matters of concern related to the Board's jurisdiction that was not scheduled on the agenda. She informed the Board that there were no individuals present who requested to be heard by the Board for the reasonable opportunity to be heard.

Chairman Jason B. Trauth asked Ms. Charles to announce the **withdrawals** and **deferrals** for the record.

Ms. Charles announced that the following Unincorporated Miami Dade County cases were entered as **Withdrawals by the Building Official:**

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:

DCF2020007795U 3151 NW 32 Avenue, #1

City of Miami Beach:

MB2022-007 900 Euclid Ave., #9

Ms. Charles announced that the following Unincorporated Miami Dade County cases were entered as **Deferrals by the Building Official:**

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:

DCF2020007661U 10723 SW 56 Street, #1
DCF2020007782U 2901 NW NORTH RIVER DR 1
DCF2020007817U 5026 NW 23 Avenue, #3
DCF2020008096U 354 NE 167 Street, #1

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Chairman Jason B. Trauth, asked Ms. Charles to announce that the following cases were presented and entered as **Agreements by the Building Official**:

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:

DC20200202720U	2505 NW 105 Street
DC20220212509U	10441 Mahogany Key Circle
DC20220213351U	173 NE 141 Street
DCF2020008179U	14501 NW 7 Avenue, #1

City of Miami Beach:

MB2022-002	800-830 Washington Ave.
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Ms. Charles announced that the following cases were entered as **No Contest/No Show by the Building Official**:

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:

DC20200203577U	3301 NW 79 Street
DC20200205309U	767 NW 102 Street
DC20210206986U	14287 SW 192 Avenue
DC20210208526U	3122 NW 26 Street
DC20210208653U	10700 CORAL WAY
DCF2016002170U	4519 SW 75 Avenue, #1
DCF2019006027U	4475 SW 75 Avenue, #1
DCF2020007783U	2929 NW North River Drive, #1
DCF2020007793U	3260 NW 31 Street, #1
DCF2020007823U	3825 NW 32 Avenue, #1
DCF2020008025U	4700 NW 72 Avenue, #1
DCF2020008075U	12000 NE 14 Avenue, #1
DCF2020008095U	300 NE 167 Street, #1
DCF2020008538U	8002 SW 149 Avenue, B
DCF2020008539U	8000 SW 149 Avenue, A

Chairman Jason B. Trauth informed everyone that the Board file jackets for the Agreements and No Contest/No Shows were being circulated and reviewed by the Board Members.

Mr. Trauth requested a motion to uphold the decisions of the Building Official for the **Agreements and the No Contest/No Show cases**. Mr. Starkweather moved to accept the decisions of the Building Official for the Agreements and the No Contest/No Show case. Mr. Gorrin seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

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Heard Case

Ms. Charles then called forth the first case to be heard on record from the Unincorporated Miami Dade County.

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:

DC20210211348U	3400 Rickenbacker Cswy Golden Dome
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Mr. Trauth asked Mr. Spencer Errickson, Unsafe Structures Unit Supervisor, and all interested parties to be sworn in by the Court Reporter. The participants were sworn in at 1:58 P.M.

Mr. Errickson informed everyone that the Board file jacket was being circulated and reviewed by the Board Members.

Mr. Trauth then recognized Mr. Spencer Errickson, Unsafe Structures Unit Supervisor, for his presentation.

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Mr. Errickson stated that he received the engineer's letters stating that the structure is safe to occupy meanwhile repairs were made.

Mr. Gorrin asked how old the buildings were at the property.

Mr. Errickson stated that the buildings had all different built dates.

Mr. Trauth then called on Mr. Robert Fine, Attorney for the Property Owner, to present his case.

Mr. Starkweather asked Mr. Fine what time frames he was looking for.

Mr. Robert Fine stated that the Seaquarium property has new owners in the last 100 days that are eager to bring the property up to structural compliance with the County and Federal regulations in regards to the health of the Orca. He stated that the Property Owners are looking for a ninety (90) day continuance to both cases in order to allow them to get additional structural review done to determine the best course of repair and timeframes to request.

Ms. Riley suggested that the owners could consider moving the Orca to a rehabilitation facility meanwhile repairs are made.

After some further discussion, Mr. Starkweather moved for this case to be deferred. Mr. Naumann seconded the motion.

The motion passed by vote of 6 to 1. (Ms. Riley opposed.)
(For a verbatim version, please refer to the transcripts)

Ms. Charles then called forth the second case to be heard on record from the Unincorporated Miami Dade County.

Unincorporated Miami Dade County:
DC20210211387U 3400 Rickenbacker Cswy Whale Bowl

Mr. Trauth stated that the photographs show significant structural damage and expressed concerns regarding the safety Staff or visitors.

Mr. Fine stated that this section of this property was closed to the public and was only open to Staff during repair and he was asking for a deferral of the item for the same ninety (90) days to conduct reviews.

Ms. Riley stated that she was concerned as well about the safety of the staff.

Mr. Fine stated that the area was shored off and has been closed to the public and will stay closed to the public.

Ms. Matos asked Mr. Fine if there was any additional security.

Mr. Fine stated that there is 24 hours/7 day physical security at the facility.

Mr. Starkweather moved for this case to be deferred for ninety (90) days. Mr. Gorrin seconded the motion.
The motion passed by vote of 5 to 2. (Mr. Trauth and Ms. Riley opposed.)
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There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Starkweather and seconded by Mr. Gorrin to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 P.M.

Motion passed unanimously.

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Prepared by: _____

Board Administration Specialist

Chairperson

Date: _____