RESOLUTION 12-R99

COUNCIL ITEM 11C
DATE 9/24/12

A RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE A THREAT TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 40 OF THE PORT ST. LUCIE CITY CODE; PROVIDING FOR A HEARING DATE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE AFFECTED PROPERTIES SHOULD BE FOUND A PUBLIC NUISANCE; PROVIDING NOTICE TO THE OWNERS AND MORTGAGEE(S) OF THE PROPERTIES OF SAID HEARING DATE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Conditions exist on certain properties located within the City of Port St. Lucie located at:

- 2081 SE Allamanda Drive
- 909 SE Bayfront Avenue
- 3544 SW Pisano Street
- 2761 SE Rawlings Road
- 686 SE Thornhill Drive

WHEREAS, the property and conditions thereof are more specifically identified and described in Exhibits A, B, C, D and E, attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the conditions violate Port St. Lucie City Code Chapter 41; and

WHEREAS, the owners and mortgagees of said properties shall be provided notice of the apparent violation(s) and shall have the opportunity to be heard as to why said properties should not be declared a public nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code; and

WHEREAS, the owners and mortgagees are hereby informed that a failure to timely respond to this notice and/or appear at the hearing as set forth herein shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance on the property at issue and may result in abatement of the nuisance by the City; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such abatement by the City shall constitute a special assessment against said properties;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE THAT:

Section 1. Conditions exist on certain property as set forth herein, which violate Chapter 41, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitute a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Section 2. The property owners and mortgagees of record shall be notified of this proceeding by service pursuant to Port St. Lucie City Code Section 40.17(3).

Section 3. A show cause hearing shall be set upon proper service of the parties having been made in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

Section 4. At said hearing, the property owners and mortgagees of the property may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the violations on their property should not be required.

Section 5. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council upon review of each property, evidence, and argument may declare such property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner and mortgagee because of the unlawful condition and detriment to the community.

Section 6. If the property owner or mortgagee fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment.

Section 7. In the event this Resolution is challenged or found invalid as it may affect any individual property identified herein, it shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as to the remaining properties.

Section 8. This Resolution becomes effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this 24th day of September, 2012.

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE

ATTEST:

By:_____
JoAnn M. Faiella, Mayor

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Karen A. Phillips, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:_____
Roger G. Orr, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE NUISANCE ABATEMENT

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE:

A condition exists on certain property as set forth below, which constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitutes a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Address:

2081 SE Allamanda Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

Legal Description:

Lot 11, Block 134, Port St. Lucie Section Unit Eight according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 14, Page(s) 26, 26A through 26D of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Pursuant to a search of the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's records and St. Lucie County public records the property appears to be owned by: Federal National Mortgage Association

The conditions at issue violate Port St. Lucie City Code Sections 41.07(c), 41.08(b), 41.09(a), 41.09(b), 41.10(b) and 158.211, and are more fully described as high grass and weeds, unmaintained and unsecure pool, torn screens, extreme overgrowth surrounding the structure and open storage.

A hearing is set for the 15th day of October, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. A failure to respond or appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance and may result in the abatement of the nuisance by the City. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

At said hearing, the property owner and mortgagee may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the public nuisance should not be required. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council may declare the property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner not later than 21 days after such finding. If the property owner fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens regardless of the date of recording. A failure to pay said lien may result in a loss of title to your property.

EXHIBIT B

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE NUISANCE ABATEMENT

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE:

A condition exists on certain property as set forth below, which constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitutes a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Address:

909 SE Bayfront Avenue, Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Legal Description:

Lot 21, Block 433, Port St. Lucie Section Three according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 12, Page(s) 13A through 13I of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Pursuant to a search of the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's records and St. Lucie County public records the property appears to be owned by: Carlo Nicolicchia and Christine Nicolicchia.

Citibank, N.A., may have an interest in the property as owner or mortgagee.

The conditions at issue violate Port St. Lucie City Code Sections 41.08(b), 41.09(a), 41.09(b) and 41.10(b), and are more fully described as high grass and weeds, unmaintained and unsecure pool and torn screens.

A hearing is set for the 15th day of October, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. A failure to respond or appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance and may result in the abatement of the nuisance by the City. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

At said hearing, the property owner and mortgagee may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the public nuisance should not be required. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council may declare the property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner not later than 21 days after such finding. If the property owner fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens regardless of the date of recording. A failure to pay said lien may result in a loss of title to your property.

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EXHIBIT C

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE NUISANCE ABATEMENT

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE:

A condition exists on certain property as set forth below, which constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitutes a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Address:

3544 SW Pisano Street, Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

Legal Description:

Lot 4, Block 1462, Port St. Lucie Section Fifteen according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 13, Page(s) 6, 6A through 6E, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Pursuant to a search of the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's records and St. Lucie County public records the property appears to be owned by: Donna M. Pasquarella and Richard P. Pasquarella.

GMAC Mortgage, LLC, may have an interest in the property as owner or mortgagee.

The conditions at issue violate Port St. Lucie City Code Sections 41.08(b), 41.09(a), 41.09(b) and 41.10(b), and are more fully described as high grass and weeds, unmaintained and unsafe pool, and damaged fence.

A hearing is set for the 15th day of October, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. A failure to respond or appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance and may result in the abatement of the nuisance by the City. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

At said hearing, the property owner and mortgagee may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the public nuisance should not be required. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council may declare the property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner not later than 21 days after such finding. If the property owner fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens regardless of the date of recording. A failure to pay said lien may result in a loss of title to your property.

EXHIBIT D

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE NUISANCE ABATEMENT

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE:

A condition exists on certain property as set forth below, which constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitutes a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Address:

2761 SE Rawlings Road, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

Legal Description:

Lot 12, Block 2802, Port St. Lucie Section Forty according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 15, Page(s) 34, 34A through 34Y, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Pursuant to a search of the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's records and St. Lucie County public records the property appears to be owned by: Ronald L. Kelly and Bonnie K. Kelly

Federal National Mortgage Association may have an interest in the property as owner or mortgagee.

The conditions at issue violate Port St. Lucie City Code Sections 41.08(b), 41.09(a), 41.09(b) and 41.10(b), and are more fully described as high grass and weeds, unmaintained and unsafe pool, torn screens, broken door window and missing soffits.

A hearing is set for the 15th day of October, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. A failure to respond or appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance and may result in the abatement of the nuisance by the City. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

At said hearing, the property owner and mortgagee may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the public nuisance should not be required. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council may declare the property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner not later than 21 days after such finding. If the property owner fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens regardless of the date of recording. A failure to pay said lien may result in a loss of title to your property.

EXHIBIT E

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE NUISANCE ABATEMENT

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE:

A condition exists on certain property as set forth below, which constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter 40, Port St. Lucie City Code and constitutes a threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Address:

686 SE Thornhill Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Legal Description:

Lot 24, Block 511, Port St. Lucie Section Ten according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 12, Page(s) 49, 49A through 49G, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

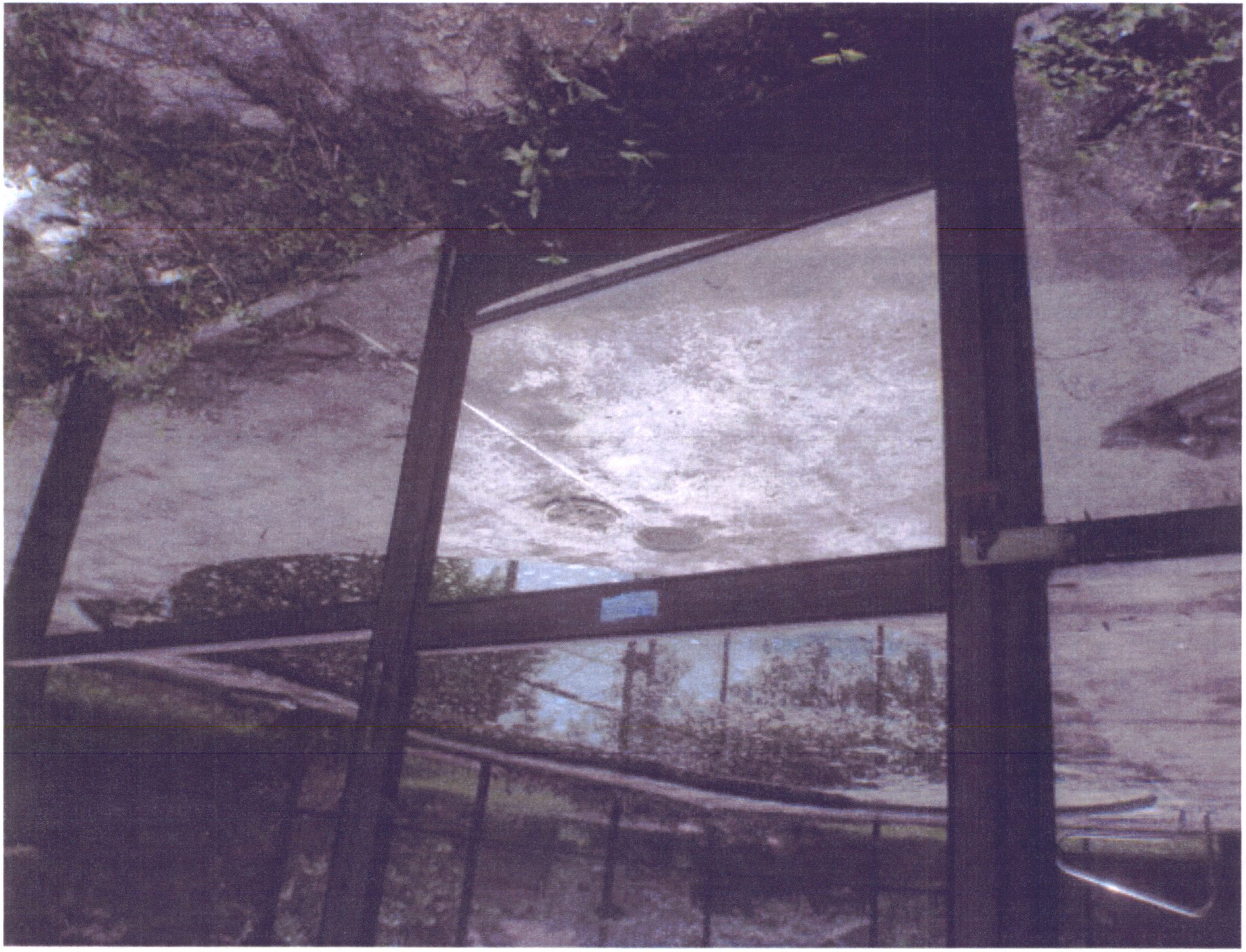
Pursuant to a search of the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's records and St. Lucie County public records the property appears to be owned by: Dennis J. Shepley and Nora A. Shepley.

The Bank of New York may have an interest in the property as owner or mortgagee.

The conditions at issue violate Port St. Lucie City Code Sections 41.08(b), 41.09(a), 41.09(b) and 41.10(b), and are more fully described as high grass and weeds, unmaintained and unsafe pool, torn screen and fence in need or repair.

A hearing is set for the 15th day of October, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. in the Chambers of the Port St. Lucie City Council, located at City Hall, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. A failure to respond or appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of the existence of a public nuisance and may result in the abatement of the nuisance by the City. Further information concerning the hearing may be obtained by calling the Legal Department of the City of Port St. Lucie at 772-873-6525.

At said hearing, the property owner and mortgagee may present all evidence and argument to show cause why the removal or abatement of the public nuisance should not be required. If good and sufficient cause cannot be shown, the City Council may declare the property a public nuisance and shall require the removal or abatement of the public nuisance by the property owner not later than 21 days after such finding. If the property owner fails to abate the nuisance, the City may do so with City forces or by independent contractor and levy the cost of the abatement against the property as a special assessment. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens regardless of the date of recording. A failure to pay said lien may result in a loss of title to your property.



MEMORANDUM

TO: GREGORY J. ORAVEC, CITY MANAGER

THRU: ROGER G. ORR, CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: STEFANIE BESKOVOYNE, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY SB

DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE A THREAT TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY

Attached hereto please find a proposed Resolution declaring the following properties a threat to the health, safety, and general welfare of the community, and setting a hearing date, to be placed on the September 17, 2012 City Council agenda for consideration.

- 2081 SE Allamanda Drive
- 909 SE Bayfront Avenue
- 3544 SW Pisano Street
- 2761 SE Rawlings Road
- 686 SE Thornhill Drive

Should you have any further questions or need any additional information, please contact me at 873-6332.

SB/liw
Attach.

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