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Subject: FW: Supplemental Item: Code Enforcement Condition Mitigation Authority
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From: Dodge, Charles
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Subject: FW: Supplemental Item: Code Enforcement Condition Mitigation Authority

Please add to the meeting for Wednesday.

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From: Castillo, Angelo
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Cc: Graham, Marlene <mgraham@ppines.com>; Lakosky, Julie <jlakosky@ppines.com>
Subject: Supplemental Item: Code Enforcement Condition Mitigation Authority

I am requesting a Supplemental Item to the October 16th Agenda as follows:

Motion to discuss and direct City Attorney and City Administration to propose effective amendments to Code Enforcement Unit's authority to enter properties and abate conditions that create a potential storm projectile concern, a potential vermin condition, or unsightly nuisance after due process is afforded and whether or not a Hurricane Warning is in effect.

Why? I reported a condition over two months ago to our outstanding Code Enforcement officials. They indicate that legally, the resolution is beyond their ability to remediate. I believe what they are saying is true. I believe the City Commission can arm them with better legal and other tools to serve our residents better.

The complaint involves a resident in Pembroke Lakes who complained to me because for over a year she has had to endure the unsightly and dangerous condition of a neighbor, where there's a variety of projectile and other ugly nuisance conditions in a neighboring yard strewn with items and debris of all kinds. While her home is not currently for sale, others in the community who can also see this yard from theirs across a lake might. And the sight of that yard would definitely deter -- and for sure never encourage any new homeowner to purchase a home there. Thus, the city's legitimate government interest in preserving real estate values, ensuring the swift sale of properties at the highest possible price, and our health, welfare and safety powers are called to act in this scenario.

Code informs that absent a Magistrate order or a Hurricane Warning they do not possess the authority OR the means to achieve this necessary work. Other jurisdictions in Florida have more robust interventions in place as any internet article search will uncover. We need that intervention capacity in Pembroke Pines.

Please include this email as back up to the Supplemental Item and a copy of the relevant ordinances. Larry, can we provide the commission with some color copies of the condition of that yard please? Thanks.

Angelo

