## TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: May 14, 2024

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

From: Nicholas Caristo, Chief of Police

Re: Annual Report – Code Enforcement Board

Date: May 1, 2024

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Town Council review the Annual Report for 2023-2024, presented by the Code Enforcement Board.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The following summarizes the activities of the Code Enforcement Board and staff beginning May 01, 2023, through April 30, 2024.

The Code Enforcement Board consists of nine members, which includes seven regular members and two alternate members. Bram Majtlis was re-elected as Chairman at the May 2024 meeting and Scotch Peloso was re-elected as Vice Chairman. The remaining members are Martin Klein, Chris Larmoyeux, Pamela Saba, John McGowan and Harris S. Fried. The alternate members are Armand Harris and John P. Cohen.

The Code Enforcement Board considered fifty-one new code violation cases, thirty-four fine consideration cases, ten fine reduction requests, and no old business cases.

There were \$1,830,225.00 in fines, and \$7,050.00 in administrative fees collected.

There are three properties with daily running fines. Ten properties have non-running fines, totaling \$122,450.00. There are two non-property owners with non-running fines, totaling \$5,900.00.

Liens in favor of the Town have been filed against property owners when appropriate.

Notice of Code Violation citations written and collected, where the violator admitted to guilt and paid the fine, totaled \$12,700.00.

Right of Way citations written and collected, where the violator admitted to guilt and paid the fine, totaled \$47,492.49.

Currently, the Code Enforcement staff is comprised of one Parking/Code Enforcement Specialist, one full-time Lead Code Enforcement Officer and four full-time Code Enforcement Officers.

The Code Enforcement staff received 2700 complaints, which is an increase from last year's number of 2380. There were 1573 of the complaints self-initiated by Code Enforcement Officers as compared to the previous year's number of 1419.

There were 9,817 inspections completed, an increase of 5,237 from the previous year. There were 957 code written warnings, 906 verbal warnings, 133 Notice of Violation letters sent, 72 Notice of Violation citations issued, 94 Board Orders, and 113 Right-of-Way written violations. All actions have increased since the previous year.

Attached please find a list of properties with outstanding fines as of April 30, 2024.

Attachment

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## LIST OF PROPERTIES WITH OUTSTANDING FINES AS OF APRIL 30, 2024

- 1. 241 El Dorado Lane
- 2. 232 Cherry Lane
- 3. 127 El Bravo
- 4. 191 Bradley Place
- 5. 420 Royal Palm Way
- 6. 201 Banyan Road \*
- 7. 230 Brazilian Ave. \*
- 8. 249 Seabreeze Ave.
- 9. 259 Pendleton Ave. \*
- 10. 3440 S. Ocean Blvd.
- 11. 123 Chilean Ave.
- 12. 437 Chilean Ave.
- 13. 288 S. County Road
- \* Indicates Daily Running Fine