



Legislation Text

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Request to Release Lien at 504 SE 13th Street (B)

This item is a request for the City Commission to consider a request for a lien reduction or rescission for 504 SE 13th Street. The property was found in violation of City Ordinance Sec. 13-171(g) Vegetation Overgrown and 13-171(e) (1) Trash. A lien was placed on this property that accumulated to \$13,400 (\$50.00 a day) plus Administrative Costs of \$89.58 (paid).

Mr. Thomas Ngo requested a reduction/rescission of the accumulated fines and costs on February 11, 2022. Mr. Ngo met with Pete Backhaus, Neighborhood Enhancement Manager and Sustainable Development Director, Andrew Persons to discuss the violation and remedy. Mr. Ngo applied for a demolition permit on April 1, 2021 and removed the structure. He invested over \$20,000 in an effort to put a structure on the property but his plans have not been approved. He has been maintaining the property since the demolition. After discussion, it was agreed to recommend that the fine be reduced to zero.

The Administrative Costs of \$89.58 have been paid and the property is currently in compliance with City Ordinances. A Reduction/Rescission hearing was held on March 10, 2022 before the Special Magistrate. Based on information presented, the Magistrate recommended the remaining amount of the lien be reduced to \$100.

Strategic Connection:

Goal 3 of the City Commission's Strategic Plan Concerns making Gainesville a great place to live and experience.

The current lien amounts total \$13,400. The City has recovered \$89.58 in Administrative Costs.