



CITY OF FORT PIERCE

DIVISIONS OF CODE ENFORCEMENT & ANIMAL CONTROL

Margaret M. Arraiz, Code Compliance Manager

REQUEST FOR A REDUCTION OR RESCINDMENT OF CODE ENFORCEMENT FINES / LIENS

Date:	March 1, 2016		
Property address:	1708 Francis court, Fort Pierce, FL 34949		
Owner(s) of record:	Bruce F. Arnold Sr.		
Mailing address:	245 Meadowlark Ln., Sandpoint, ID 83864		
Property tax ID #:	2401-506-0012-000-7		
Original purchase date:	April 11, 2011	Original purchase price:	unknown
Other Information:	<input type="checkbox"/> Inherited Property	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchased at Tax Sale	Adjoining Property Owner
Property is used for:	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial
			<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial
			X Vacant Lot
Name of person requesting reduction:	Gary Van Denbos/Bruce Murray	Relationship to owner(s):	Owner Representatives
Telephone #:		Mobile phone #:	772-285-1755
E-mail:	mailmurray@aol.com	Preferred contact method:	Email or cell phone
What are owner(s) intentions for property:	Purchasing for future development – buyer is seeking to clear title		
Amount of Fine:	\$249.42	Date Fine Initiated:	December 2009
Are there current code violations?	X No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Explain: (please attached notice) Property has been maintained by representative since 2012 - notice was to prior owner, not available
Is a lien filed against the property?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	X Yes	If yes, what is the lien amount? \$249.42
Is property listed for sale?	X No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	If yes, what is listing price?
Is property under contract for sale?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	X Yes	If yes, what is the sale price? \$65,000.00

AMOUNT OF FINE / LIEN **\$ 249.42**

DOLLAR AMOUNT REQUESTING TO BE WAIVED **\$ 149.42**

DOLLAR AMOUNT I AGREE TO PAY **\$ 100.00**

If the city waives any fees, interest, penalties, fine or lien amount, the undersigned does hereby agree to pay the remainder within sixty (60) days from the date of the Board, Magistrate or Commission's decision unless an alternate time frame is specified in the motion.



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REQUEST FOR REDUCTION OF PENALTY

By completing this form, you are making statements under oath. Failure to be truthful is a violation of Fort Pierce City Code and Florida Statutes pertaining to perjury, which is a felony punishable by up to fifteen (15) years imprisonment.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please fill in blanks completely.
2. Be specific when writing your statement. Use additional pages if necessary.
3. If you are claiming medical or financial hardship, attach supporting documentation (i.e. doctor's statement or proof of income).
4. Complete either the application for Waiver of Penalties (lot clearing / demolition) or Request for Reduction / Rescindment (code enforcement fines).
5. For lot clearing or demolition liens, contact Kathy D'Arton in the Finance Department (772-467-3076) for cost / fees breakdown.
6. For code enforcement liens (those imposed by a Special Magistrate or Code Enforcement Board), contact Colleen Greer (772-467-3149) for cost / fees breakdown.
7. If you do not have access to a Notary of the Public, one will be provided to you by the Department at no charge. All forms must be signed in the presence of the Notary to be valid.
8. Return this form, the application and any other pertinent documentation to the Code Enforcement Department.
9. Requests for Reduction / Rescindment of code enforcement liens must be heard before either the Code Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate prior to being heard before the City Commission.

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Property Owner: Bruce F. Arnold Sr.

Mailing Address: 245 Meadowlark Ln., Sandpoint, ID 83864

Telephone #: _____ Cell Phone #: 772-359-2911

E-Mail Address: bthelight@msn.com

Is the property in compliance? yes If no, please explain _____



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We, **Bruce A. Murray and Gary Van Denbos, on behalf of Bruce F. Arnold**, do hereby submit this Petition in request for a reduction in the total amount of the penalty imposed and in support offer the following statement:

To the best of our knowledge, Bruce Arnold purchased this property in April 2011 from a family member without real estate or legal assistance and without knowledge of outstanding fines and/or liens. He left the state at about that same time and left the property in the hands of a realtor and listed for sale. In the fall of 2012 he agreed to let an adjacent property owner level and clear the property and subsequently agreed to have that neighbor maintain the property. It has remained free of issues since that time. Outstanding liens and fines incurred by the prior owner were first discovered when we unsuccessfully attempted to negotiate a purchase agreement in 2015 and the information was disclosed during a title search. Gary Van Denbos made a formal offer on the property subject to mitigation of all outstanding fines and liens on February 15, 2016, that has now been accepted. Approval of a reduction in current outstanding fines and liens will put the property in the hands of a responsible local owner and resident who will properly maintain the property and likely develop it to add value to the tax base and community.



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Date: 3/1/16

Signed: *Gary Vandebos*

Print Name: **Gary Vandebos**

Date: 3/1/16

Signed: *Bruce Murray*

Print Name: **Bruce Murray**

REPRESENTING BRUCE F. ARNOLD, PROPERTY

OWNER
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority Gary Van Denbos & Bruce Murray who acknowledged before me that the information contained herein is true and correct. He / She is not personally known to me and has produced FL Driver license as identification.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 1 day of March, 20 16.



DEANNA M. GERHART
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF FLORIDA
Comm# FF105260
Expires 3/23/2018

Deanna M. Gerhart
Notary Public, State of Florida Deanna M. Gerhart