THE SUNRISE CITY
FORT PIERCE
CODE ENFORCEMENT
Florida

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 the appropriate application for lien reduction / rescindment.
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 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 are governed by Rule 17 of the City's Rules & Regulation for Code Enforcement Board and Special Magistrate.

Property Address: 1501 Ave J Fort Pierce, Fl. 34950

Property Owner: Kenneth Mills / Albert Russo

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 311 Fort Pierce, Fl. 34954

Telephone #: 772-466-8398 Cell Phone #: 772-370-5420

E-Mail Address: pastorkennymills@aol.com

Is the property in compliance? yes If no, please explain in the narrative of your request.

I, Rev. Kenneth Mills Sr., 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:

We are requesting a reduction in the total amount of the penality imposed and in support of our request. I was allowing members of our Church at the time live in the property at 1501 Ave J. When the City demolished the facility and the zoning rule was changed for Buildings on Lots we were not able to rebuild a house on the property. The Lot was not big enough for our Church to rebuild. We were able to do our due diligence to maintain the lot but over time it became uncontrollable for our organization to maintain. We do need the help our our City to mitigate In part these liens. Thank you

Date: March, 27, 2021

Signed: Rev. Kenneth Mills Sr.

Print Name: Rev. Kenneth Mills Sr.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority _____ who acknowledged before me that the information contained herein is true and correct. He or She is / is not personally known to me and has produced _____ as identification.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

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Notary Public, State of Florida

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REQUEST FOR A REDUCTION OR RESCINDMENT OF LOT CLEARING OR DEMOLTION LIEN

Date:	March 27, 2021				
Property address:	1501 Ave J Fort Pierce, Fl. 34950				
Owner(s) of record:	Kenneth Mills / Albert Russo				
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 311 Fort Pierce, Fl. 34954				
Property tax ID #:	2404-810-0007-00012				
Original purchase date:		Original purchase price:			
Property is used for:	☐ Single Family	☐ Multi-family	☐ Commercial	☐ Industrial	☒ Vacant Lot
Name of person requesting reduction:	Rev. Kenneth Mills	Relationship to owner(s)	Church Property		
Telephone #:	772-370-5420	Mobile phone #:	off 772 466-8398		
E-mail:	pastorkennymills@aol.com	Preferred contact method:	772-370-5420		
What are owner(s) intentions for property:	We are not able to build a home or Building				
Are there current code violations?	☒ No	☐ Yes	Explain: (please attached notice)		
Is property listed for sale?	☒ No	☐ Yes	If yes, what is listing price?		
Is property under contract for sale?	☒ No	☐ Yes	If yes, what is the sale price?		

City incurred charges (lot clearing, demolition, etc)	$ 525.00
Administrative fees	$ 200.00
Interest	$ 28.32
Penalties	$ 5.72
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO CITY	$ 809.04
DOLLAR AMOUNT REQUESTING TO BE WAIVED	$ 234.04
DOLLAR AMOUNT I AGREE TO PAY	$ 575.00 (2 months To Pay Debt!)

Rev. Kenneth Mills Sr. 3-27-21
Signature of Owner or Representative Date

Kenneth Mills
Printed Name

OWNER / REPRESENTATIVE REQUEST TO PROCESS APPLICATION

Property Address:	1501 Ave J Ft. P. Fl. 34950

☒ I acknowledge that I have been provided a copy of Rule 17 of the Rules of Procedure for the City of Fort Pierce Code Enforcement Board and Special Magistrates and that I have read the rules and being advised as such make the following request:

☒ I am requesting that my application for lien reduction be processed administratively through the Rules of Procedure Sec. 17(h), I understand the requirements to be met and that I waive my right to a hearing before either the Special Magistrate or Code Enforcement Board.

☒ I am requesting that my application for lien reduction be considered and a determination made by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce.

Kenneth Mills Sr 3-27-21 — Kenneth M. Mills Sr.

Signature of Owner or Representative — Date — Printed Name

COFP – APPLICATION PROCESS DETERMINATION

☐ Staff has reviewed the request for lien reduction and agrees to process the application as requested by the signing party.

☐ Staff has reviewed the request for lien reduction and do not agree to process the application as requested by the signing party. The matter will be placed before the City Commission for final determination.

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City Representative — Date — Printed Name

Rule 17. Requests for Reduction of Liens.

A. A respondent may request a reduction of a lien otherwise imposed by the City to the Department, after the original violation is in compliance and the Department has issued an affidavit of compliance. No such request shall be made until after the date originally set for compliance has passed and the property is already under penalty. Any request for reduction of lien shall be made in writing to the Department and shall state reasons why a reduction of the Lien should be considered. The request should include a description of any supporting documentation which should be considered in furtherance of such request.

B. If any of the following conditions are met, the Department has the authority to process a lien reduction request and issue a Release of Lien:

(1) The amount of settlement for a property zoned residential with less than four (4) dwelling units is $5000 or more and is payable in less than 30 days.

(2) The amount of the settlement for a property either zoned residential with four (4) or more dwelling units, zoned commercial or zoned industrial is $10,000 or more and is payable in less than 30 days.

(3) The settlement is based upon the receipt of excess tax sale proceeds that have been received by the City and respectively cover the administrative costs incurred.

The Department shall forward the request to the Special Magistrate or Code Enforcement Board if additional review is required, if a hearing is specifically requested or in the best interest of the City. The Department and Requestor may enter into an agreement to settle the Lien reduction. Any written agreement between the requesting party and the Department to settle the lien reduction shall constitute a waiver of hearing by the Special Magistrate or Code Board by both parties.

C. If the request does not meet the criteria outlined in Section (b), the Department has determined the request requires additional review, or the requesting party chooses to not waive his or her right to a hearing, the Department shall schedule a hearing on the request before the Special Magistrate or Board, with notice to the respondent. After hearing both sides, the Special Magistrate shall make a determination, or the Board shall adopt a motion, that the request for reduction of the lien be denied, granted, or granted with conditions. The determination will be based upon evidence, upon consideration of the following criteria:

(1) The gravity or seriousness of the violation;

(2) Any and all actions taken by the violator to correct the violations or, if the violation was not corrected by the original violator, what action was taken by any other owner or party in interest to bring the property into compliance;

(3) The length of time necessary to bring the property into compliance;