

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: June 10, 2025 ☒ Consent ☐ Regular
 ☐ Workshop ☐ Public Hearing

Department: Office of Financial Management and Budget

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: a negotiated settlement offer in the amount of \$16,355 for the full satisfaction of a code compliance lien entered against Alejandro Gonzalez and Rosemary Rodriguez on April 7, 2021.

Summary: On November 6, 2019, a Code Compliance Special Magistrate (CCSM) issued an order giving Alejandro Gonzalez and Rosemary Rodriguez until August 2, 2020 to bring their property located at 4556 Carver Street, Lake Worth into full code compliance. The violations included installation of the following without a valid building permit: a roofed structure adjacent to the main dwelling, carport enclosure, gazebo, and an attached porch. Compliance with the CCSM’s order was not timely achieved, and a fine of \$50 per day was imposed. The CCSM executed an order imposing a code lien against Alejandro Gonzalez and Rosemary Rodriguez on April 7, 2021.

The Code Compliance Division (Code Compliance) issued an affidavit of compliance for the property stating the violations were corrected as of January 23, 2025. Mr. Gonzalez has agreed to pay Palm Beach County \$16,355 (20%) for the full settlement of the outstanding code compliance lien. During the time of ownership, this was not a homestead property. **District 3 (SF)**

Background and Justification: Mr. Gonzalez & Mrs. Rodriguez acquired the property as an investment in July 2011. During the month of September 2018, Code Compliance was in the area and observed an excessive amount of cars within the perimeter that prompted them to inspect. The property was cited for ten different violations. Between September 2018 and January 2025, Code Compliance made seven (7) visits to the property; the owners were always in contact with the Code Officer. According to Mr. Gonzalez, he hired a general contractor to address issues at the home, but the contractor subsequently closed his business and walked away with Mr. Gonzalez’s funds without completing the work. This ordeal placed him in a financial predicament, taking him years to save funds to start over. He also attributed the Covid pandemic and permit process to his delay to remedy the violations.

Settlement offers that reduce any debt amount due to Palm Beach County by more than \$2,500 require the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, per Countywide PPM CW-F-048.

Attachments: None

Recommended by: Sherry Mm 5/14/2025
 Department Director Date

Approved by: Joe for 5/23/25
 County Administrator Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External Revenues	(16,355)				
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match(County					
NET FISCAL IMPACT	(16,355)				
#ADDITIONAL FTE					
POSITIONS (CUMULATIVE)					

Is item included in Current Budget? Yes ☐ No ☒
Is this item using Federal Funds? Yes ☐ No ☒
Is this item using State Funds? Yes ☐ No ☒

Budget Account No.: Fund 0001 Department 600 Unit 6241 Object 5900


B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:




III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

 5/13/25 ASD/CLE 5/14/25 OFMB CB 5/14/25 WBJ 5/14/25 N/A
Contract Dev. and Control

B. Legal Sufficiency:


Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

N/A
Department Director