

CERTIFIED MAIL



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# TOWN OF JUPITER

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CODE COMPLIANCE DIVISION  
SPECIAL MAGISTRATE  
NOTICE OF HEARING

January 23, 2024

MELINDA A WATERS  
1422 SUMMER AVE  
JUPITER, FL 33469

CASE NO.: 24-000053

LOCATION: 1422 SUMMER AVE, Jupiter, Florida  
PCN: 30434031090040150

You are hereby notified that on **02/14/24 at 10:00 AM** there will be a hearing conducted by the Town of Jupiter Special Magistrate in the Council Chambers of the Town of Jupiter Municipal Complex, 210 Military Trail, concerning the alleged violation of the Town Code:

Violation Information

THE LARGE NUMBER OF CATS BEING MAINTAINED ON THIS PROPERTY ARE CREATING A NUISANCE TO THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. THEY ARE FREELY DEFECATING AND URINATING ON NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES CREATING A HEALTH RISK TO HUMANS AND OTHER PETS. CEASE ALLOWING THE CATS TO FREELY ROAM THE COMMUNITY. DUE TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY RISKS BEING POSED BY THIS VIOLATION, THIS CASE WILL BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE ON FEBRUARY 14, 2024 AT 10:00AM.

Violation Description

ANIMALS ANIMALS AS NUISANCES

5-11(a-b) ANIMALS CREATING NUISANCE

(a) Any dog, cat, household pet or other animal which habitually barks, whines, howls or causes other objectionable noise; or which is at large or chases or runs after persons or vehicles; or which destroys or damages any property of another person; or which causes serious annoyance to a neighboring residence or interference with the reasonable use and enjoyment of that person's property; or which is otherwise offensive to the public so as to annoy, disturb, injure, or endanger the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of the citizens and residents of the town, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and commits an act in violation of this chapter.

(b) Any person who is the owner of such a dog, cat, household pet or other animal as described in subsection (a) of this section, or who keeps or maintains such animal on his premises, is guilty of maintaining a public nuisance, and is in violation of this chapter.

Violation Information

THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD PETS ON THIS PROPERTY EXCEED THE MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE, REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PETS OVER THE AGE OF FOUR (4) MONTHS TO NO MORE THAN FIVE (5) TOTAL PETS.

Violation Description

ANIMALS MAXIMUM QUANTITY OF PETS

5-36 MAXIMUM QUANTITY OF PETS

No more than five household pets or any combination thereof that are older than four months may be kept on a lot. No more than one spayed or neutered pot-bellied pig may be permitted in place of one of the five mature household pets.

You are hereby ordered to appear before the Special Magistrate on the above-referenced date to respond to the alleged violation and to present any oral or written testimony regarding the alleged violation. Failure to appear will result in the Special Magistrate proceeding in your absence. You will have the opportunity to present witnesses, as well as question the witnesses against you, prior to the Special Magistrate making a determination. You have the right to obtain an attorney, at your expense, to represent you before the Special Magistrate. **CASE FILES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW BY RESPONDENTS ONE-HALF HOUR PRIOR TO THE START OF THE HEARING.**

If the alleged violation still exists as of the compliance date specified in the notice of violation, this case may proceed to the hearing whether or not compliance is achieved prior to the hearing date, with a request to the Special Magistrate for a finding of violation and assessment of **ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS**. If the alleged violation still exists at the time of the hearing and you are found in violation, the Special Magistrate may enter an order against you and may assess both **ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS** and a fine of up to **\$1,000.00 PER DAY PER VIOLATION** for every day the violation continues beyond the date set by the Special Magistrate in the order for compliance. If the violation is considered by the Special Magistrate to be irreparable or irreversible in nature, a fine may be imposed not to exceed **\$15,000.00 PER VIOLATION**. If you are found in violation and subsequently violate the same code section(s) again at a later date, a repeat violator fine of up to **\$5,000.00 PER VIOLATION PER DAY** could be assessed for every day of violation, plus administrative costs.

Should any interested party seek to appeal any decision made by the Special Magistrate with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

There is a procedure whereby an alleged violator may stipulate to the existence of a violation and waive appearance at the above hearing. If you so wish to, you may enter into stipulation with the Town whereby you are admitting to the violation described herein.

Sincerely,

**Chris Ailes**  
Code Compliance Officer  
Town of Jupiter

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**AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

**Notice of Hearing**

Case No.: 24-000053  
Date Posted: January 23, 2024  
Property Owner: MELINDA A WATERS  
Property Address: 1422 SUMMER AVE

Places of Posting: Town Hall  
1422 SUMMER AVE

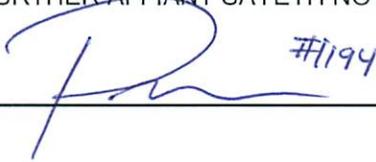
(See Attached Copy of Posted Notice)

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority personally appeared, **CHRIS AILES**, a duly-designated Code Compliance Officer of the Town of Jupiter, who, after being duly sworn by me under oath, deposes and says:

1. Prior to posting this notice, the undersigned has reviewed the file of this matter and has determined that a bona fide attempt was made to hand-deliver or mail notice to the alleged violator.
2. This Affidavit of Posting shall serve to meet the notice requirements of Section 162.12, Florida Statutes.
3. This property was posted for at least ten (10) days in two (2) locations, the first being upon the property where the code violation is alleged to exist, the address of which is listed herein above, and the second being at the Jupiter Town Hall, 210 Military Trail, Jupiter, Florida 33458, in accordance with Section 162.12(2)(b), F.S. The undersigned affiant submits this affidavit as proof of compliance with the requirements of Section 162.12(2)(b), F.S.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

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Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority, and acknowledged that (he)/(she) did execute the foregoing affidavit.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2024.

  
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Notary Public

