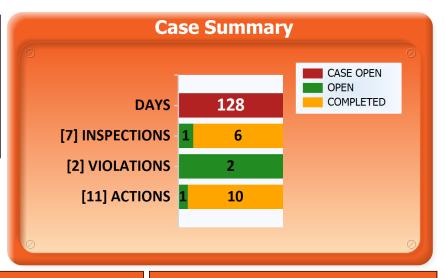


Case Number CE25-0476

City of Ocala

Description: Overgrowth and unsightly matter Status: HEARING Subtype: JUNK DEBRIS Type: GENERAL VIOLATION Opened: 6/2/2025 Closed: Last Action: 10/9/2025 Fllw Up: 10/7/2025 Site Address: 304 NW 21ST AVE OCALA, FL 34475 Officer: STEPHANI SMITH Site APN: 2260-166-002 Details:



ADDITIONAL SITES

LINKED CASES

CHRONOLOGY										
CHRONOLOGY TYPE	STAFF NAME	ACTION DATE	COMPLETION DATE	NOTES						
ADMIN POSTING	SHANEKA GREENE	8/11/2025	8/11/2025	NOVPH						
CERTIFIED MAIL	SHANEKA GREENE	8/11/2025	8/11/2025	NOVPH MAILED 91 7199 9991 7039 7684 0808 GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA, FL. 34471-8891						
CONTACT	STEPHANI SMITH	7/7/2025	7/7/2025	MS.WILLIFORD (850)-405-4335 of 428 NW 8TH AVE. View "Case Work" entry for further details of this phone call.						
HEARING CODE BOARD	YVETTE J GRILLO	10/9/2025		NEW BUSINESS						
OFFICER POSTING	STEPHANI SMITH	8/12/2025	8/12/2025	NOVPH READY FOR POSTING NOVPH POSTED DIRECTLY ONTO THE PROPERTY. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING PROVIDED TO ADMIN. VIEW ATTACHMENTS.						



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PREPARE NOTICE	SHANEKA GREENE	6/4/2025	6/4/2025	CLTO X 1 GASTON EDDIE C C/O EDDIE BROWN 428 NW 8TH AVE OCALA FL 34475-6186
PREPARE NOTICE	SHANEKA GREENE	7/10/2025	7/10/2025	CLTO X 1 GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA FL 34471-8891 ((**NEW ADDRESS CHANGE VIA MCPA/RE-NOTICE FOR SERVICE**))
PREPARE NOTICE	SHANEKA GREENE	8/11/2025	8/11/2025	NOVPH X 1 GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA FL 34471-8891
REGULAR MAIL	SHANEKA GREENE	6/4/2025	6/4/2025	CLTO MAILED
REGULAR MAIL	SHANEKA GREENE	7/10/2025	7/10/2025	CLTO MAILED

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CONTACTS	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	ON DALE HOLLINGSW	/ORTH 9/26/2025		9/29/2025	1.) (a) Cut and clean the premoving any weeds, unsanitary items by 4:00 2025. If the Responder Friday, November 7th, 2 property and take whateviolations into complianthe property grounds, weeds, undergrowth, a Additionally, there shall brun in addition to any other (b) Upon abatement of an City, a \$100.00 service section 34-92(c)(2) of the 2,) The fence shall be mai good repair as per City of 4:00 pm on Thursday, Notence by 4:00 pm on Thursda	rilty of violating city code section(s): d 82-3 and order to: property grounds fully and properly undergrowth, and unsightly or 0pm on Thursday, November 6th, nt(s) fail to comply by 7:00am on 2025, the City shall enter upon the ver steps are necessary to bring the ce, to include cutting and cleaning fully and properly removing any and unsightly or unsanitary items. He a fine of \$50.00 per day that shall er fines until this violation has been abated. The sy violations of section 34-95 by the fee shall be applied pursuant to be City of Ocala Code of Ordinances. That ine d in a sound condition and in the of Ocala ordinance section 82-3 by the sursday, November 6th, 2025, or remove the pursuant to be completed by 7:00 am on Friday, November a fine of \$50.00 per day thereafter to any other fines. Additionally, the property and take whatever steps the violation(s) into compliance to or removal of all fencing. The section of \$279.45 by November 6th, 2025.
				CONTACT	S		
NAME TYPE NAME ADDRESS PHONE FAX EMAIL	NAME TYPE	NAME	ADDRESS		PHONE	FAX	EMAIL
OWNER GASTON EDDIE C 428 NW 8TH AVE OCALA, FL 34475-6186	OWNER	GASTON EDDIE C	428 NW 8TH AVE OCALA, FL 34475-6186				



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				CONTACT	S					
NAME TYPE	NAME		ADDRESS		PHON	E	FAX		EMAIL	
RESPONDENT 1	GASTON EDDIE C & C/O EDDIE BROWN	428 NW 8TH AVE OCALA, FL 34475-6186								
			FIN	ANCIAL INFOR	MATION					
DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	QTY	AMOUNT	PAID	PAID DATE	RECEIPT	# CHECK #	METHO	OD PAID BY	CLTD BY
CERTIFIED POSTAGE	001-359-000-000-06- 35960	2	\$17.72	\$0.00						
CLERICAL AND CASEWORK TIME	001-359-000-000-06- 35960	7	\$154.00	\$0.00						
INSPECTION FEE	001-359-000-000-06- 35960	7	\$87.50	\$0.00						
RECORDING COSTS	001-359-000-000-06- 35960	1	\$18.75	\$0.00						
REGULAR POSTAGE	001-359-000-000-06- 35960	2	\$1.48	\$0.00						
	Total Paid for CA	SE FEES:	\$279.45	\$0.00						

TOTALS	\$279.45	\$0.00	

INSPECTIONS							
INSPECTION TYPE	INSPECTOR	SCHEDULED DATE	COMPLETED DATE	RESULT	REMARKS	NOTES	
CASE WORK	SMS	10/1/2025				novph comp	

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CASE WORK	SMS	7/7/2025	7/7/2025	COMPLETED	On 07/07/2025, I have received a phone call from Mrs.Williford at (850)-405-4335 who is the resident of 428 NW 8th AVE (where the case card has been left behind). She has informed me that she has no relation to the property itself, and the son of the property owner was using her address to receive the mail. They have not gone through the probate process with this particular property, because the family cannot come into an agreement and was deemed as too much of a hassle. She has informed the current property owner that she wanted nothing to do with the property, and to have the MCPA address changed (to which I have confirmed they have done). Due to a new mailing address, I have decided to re-notice the property owner based off the new address of the MCPA page. View related PDF attachment. A follow-up inspection has been scheduled.
CASE WORK	SMS	8/8/2025	8/8/2025	NON COMPLIANT	On 08/07/2025, I have re-inspected the property in reference to sources of unsightly and/or unsanitary matter such as overgrowth, junk/debris, and deteriorated fencing. I have observed that all violations continue to exist. View attachments. NOVPH generation assigned to Admin, and inspections have been scheduled.
CASE WORK	SMS	7/10/2025	7/10/2025	COMPLETED	**Re-notice to new owner**

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FOLLOW UP	SMS	7/3/2025	7/3/2025	COMPLETED	On 07/03/2025, I have responded out to the property in reference to a follow-up inspection for junk and debris, overgrowth, and dilapidated fencing. I have observed that the property remains in the same condition (with the same dilapidated fencing, scattered junk and debris, overgrowth, etc). View attachments. As a last attempt to make contact with the property owner, I have left a case card behind at the front door of the residence that reflects off the Marion County Property Appraiser page (428 NW 8th Ave) with details such as case number, property location, and what needs to be done at said compliance. If no progress is made and/or I receive no contact, this case will escalate to a NOVPH.
HEARING INSPECTION	JLB	10/7/2025	10/7/2025	NON COMPLIANT	I conducted a re-inspection. I observed the property remained non-compliant. Photos attached. Proceed to hearing to obtain an order.
INITIAL	SMS	6/3/2025	6/3/2025	NON COMPLIANT	While in the area, I observe someone living in a tent upon the vacant parcel. Residence demolished in . Dilapidated fence, overgrowth, and unsightly matter upon the property as well. Photo attached.

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INITIAL	SMS	6/3/2025	6/3/2025	NON COMPLIANT		On 06/03/2025, I have responded out to the listed location in reference to a complaint (from another Code Enforcement Officer) received about someone residing within a tent on a vacant parcel along with overgrowth, unsightly matter, and dilapidated fencing. I have observed that portions of the fencing is in a dilapidated state (such as the wooden fencing being in a leaning position and not standing straight and pieces of the metal fencing either completely missing in patches or askew). Along with this, I have observed overgrowth, tree debris, and a dead tree on the property. Finally, I have observed other sources of unsightly and unsanitary matter such as scattered junk/debris, a tent with a tarp draped over it, etc. View attachments. No contact made in-person due to it being a vacant parcel with no residence upon it. CLTO generation assigned to Admin, and a Follow-Up has been scheduled.
				VIOLATI	ONS	
VIOLATION TYPE	USER NAME	OBSERVED	CORRECTED	LOCATION	REMARKS	NOTES

				VIOLATI	ONS	
VIOLATION TYPE	USER NAME	OBSERVED DATE	CORRECTED DATE	LOCATION	REMARKS	NOTES
SECTION 34-95 WEEDS ACCUMULATIONS OF TRASH OR OTHER UNSIGHTLY OR UNSANITARY MATTER	STEPHANI SMITH	6/3/2025				Please remove any sources of unsightly or unsanitary matter from off the property such as scattered junk/debris, tent(s), tarp(s), etc. Overgrowth must be cut and cleared, and any tree debris must be removed from off the property. Any dead trees must be removed with the stump grinded down to 12 inches or less.
SECTION 82-3 BARBED WIRE ELECTRIFIED FENCES RAZOR WIRE AND FENCES WALLS	STEPHANI SMITH	6/3/2025				Please repair or replace the deteriorated and missing portions of the fencing (such as metal sections being missing and dilapidated and the wooden fencing leaning) or remove the fencing from off the property.

BEFORE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE OCALA, MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

THE CITY OF OCALA

CASE NO: CE25-0476

Petitioner,

VS.

GASTON, EDDIE C. EST

Respondents

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AFFIDAVIT OF CASE PROSECUTION COSTS FSS. 162.07(2)

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION

DALE HOLLINGSWORTH

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, STEPHANI SMITH, Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Ocala, who being duly sworn, deposes and says: Listed in exhibit below are the costs involved in the prosecution of the respondent(s) in this case.

1. Code Enfo	rcement Spe	cial Magistrate He	earing:		
	Cost	# of hour(s)			Total:
Attorney Fees:					
2. Inspector(s) Time:				
	Cost	# @ .5 hour(s)			Total:
Inspection(s)	\$12.50	7			\$87.50
3. Clerical &	Casework Ti	me:			
	Cost	# of hour(s)			Total:
Clerical:	\$22.00	7			\$154.00
4. Recording	Cost(s): (i.e.	Lien(s) / Lien rel	ease(s) / Satisfa	ction, etc.)	
	Cost	# of page(s)	Addl. page(s)	# of addl. page(s)	Total:
Fee(s):	\$18.75	1			\$18.75
5. Copies of	Related Doc	ument(s):			
	Cost	# of page(s)			Total:
Clerical:					
6. Postage C	ost(s):				
	Cost	# of Regular	Cost	# of Certified	
Postage:	\$1.48	2	\$17.72	2	\$17.72

Total Costs: \$279.45

FURTHER. AFFIANT SAYETH NOT. Dated This: 9/30/2025

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION

STEPHANISMITH DALEHOLLINGSWORTH

Code Enforcement Officer, City of Ocala

The foregoing Affidavit of Case Prosecution Costs was acknowledged before me this: 30 Sep by STEPHANI SMITH who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.

Secretary and Notary Public, State of

Florida

YVETTE J. GRILLO
Notary Public - State of Florida
Commission # HH 335985
My Comm. Expires Mar 17, 2027
Bonded through National Notary Assn.

Jimmy H. Cowan, Jr., CFA

Marion County Property Appraiser



501 SE 25th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34471 Telephone: (352) 368-8300 Fax: (352) 368-8336

2025 Property Record Card

2260-166-002

GOOGLE Street View

Property Information

GASTON EDDIE C EST

2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379

Map ID: 162

COAL A FL 24471 8891

OCALA FL 34471-8891 <u>Millage:</u> 1001 - OCALA

Situs: 304 NW 21ST AVE OCALA

M.S.T.U. PC: 00

Acres: .18

(\$7,369)

2024 Certified Value

Land Just Value	\$10,780	
Buildings	\$0	
Miscellaneous	\$0	
Total Just Value	\$10,780	Impact
Total Assessed Value	\$3,411	Ex Codes:
Exemptions	\$0	
Total Taxable	\$3,411	
School Taxable	\$10,780	

History of Assessed Values

Year	Land Just	Building	Misc Value	Mkt/Just	Assessed Val	Exemptions	Taxable Val
2024	\$10,780	\$0	\$0	\$10,780	\$3,411	\$0	\$3,411
2023	\$7,700	\$0	\$0	\$7,700	\$3,101	\$0	\$3,101
2022	\$6,160	\$0	\$0	\$6,160	\$2,819	\$0	\$2,819

Property Transfer History

Book/Page	Date	Instrument	Code	Q/U	V/I	Price
UNRE/INST	08/2023	71 DTH CER	0	U	V	\$100
<u>2597/1630</u>	01/1999	06 SPECIAL WARRANTY	0	U	V	\$100
2075/0529	09/1994	34 TAX	0	U	V	\$4,000
1781/1969	11/1991	31 CERT TL	0	U	I	\$8,400
MC86/0235	11/1986	EI E I	0	U	I	\$100

Property Description

SEC 13 TWP 15 RGE 21 PLAT BOOK A PAGE 054 WEST END OCALA BLK 166 LOTS 2.4

Use	CUse	Front	Depth	Zoning	Units Type	Rate Loc Shp Phy	Class Value	Just Value
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				Miscellane	ous Improvements			
Туре		Nbr Units	Type	Life	Year In	Grade	Length	Width
				<u>App</u>	raiser Notes			
					g and Building mit Search **			
Permi	t Number		Da	ite Issued	_	e Completed	Description	

CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 201 SE 3RD STREET (2ND FLOOR) OCALA, FL 34471

7/10/2025

CASE NO: CE25-0476

GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA, FL. 34471-8891

RE: 2260-166-002 | 304 NW 21ST VACANT LOT

Dear Property Owner:

Many times, homeowners and business owners are unaware of violations of the City of Ocala's Code of Ordinances existing on their property. A complaint has been reported to, or a violation was personally observed by a City of Ocala Code Enforcement Officer on the referenced property listed above. Please review the violations and how to abate them as follows:

Compliance Requested on or before: 08/07/2025

Violations:

SECTION 34-95 WEEDS ACCUMULATIONS OF TRASH OR OTHER UNSIGHTLY OR UNSANITARY MATTER

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SECTION 82-3 BARBED WIRE ELECTRIFIED FENCES RAZOR WIRE AND FENCES WALLS

Please repair or replace the deteriorated and missing portions of the fencing (such as metal sections being missing and dilapidated and the wooden fencing leaning) or remove the fencing from off the property.

Our goal is to assist you in becoming compliant with City Code. The City of Ocala Code Enforcement believes a reasonable time to correct the above violation(s) would be by the date indicated. Should the violation(s) continue beyond the time specified for correction, the case may proceed to the Code Board/Special Magistrate for a hearing.

You may contact the officer assigned as indicated below. We appreciate all your efforts to help the City of Ocala, and our division in keeping Ocala a clean and safe place to live.

STEPHANI SMITH,
Code Enforcement Officer
352-355-5242 smsmith@ocalafl.gov



City of Ocala

GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 201 SE 3rd STREET (2nd floor) OCALA, FLORIDA 34471

NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

08/12/2025

GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA, FL. 34471-8891

Respondent(s)	
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Location of Violation: 304 NW 21ST AVE|2260-166-002

Case Number: CE25-0476

Officer Assigned: Stephani Smith

Required Compliance Date: 10/08/2025

Public Hearing Date & Time: 10/09/2025 17:30

Violation(s) and How to Abate:

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Dear property owner, or agent,

You are hereby notified that the above listed violation(s) exists relating to the City of Ocala Code of Ordinances.

This correspondence will serve as notification that the above stated violation(s) must be corrected by the date indicated. IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF YOU, THE RESPONDENT, TO REQUEST A RE-INSPECTION TO VERIFY COMPLIANCE ON, OR BEFORE THIS DATE. If you, the respondent, fails to verify compliance on or before the aforementioned date, or if the code enforcement officer elects to proceed to a public hearing even after compliance is met, the public hearing will be conducted on the date at time indicated at:

City of Ocala - City Hall – 2nd Floor (Council Chambers) 110 SE Watula Avenue Ocala, FL 34471

The Municipal Code Enforcement Board/Special Magistrate has the authority to levy fines up to \$250 per day for a first violation and up to \$500 per day for a repeat violation, and to levy a lien on the real and personal property of the violator(s). A cost of prosecution will be levied in this case pursuant to Florida Statutes section 162.07(2).

You are entitled to be represented by counsel, present testimony, and evidence, and to testify on your behalf. Subpoenas for witnesses and for records, surveys, plats, and other materials may be requested and will be issued by this Board/ Special Magistrate through the office of the City Clerk of the City of Ocala, Florida. If you should decide to appeal any decision made by this Code Enforcement Board/Special Magistrate with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, you will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, you may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, on which the appeal is to be based.

IF SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR YOU TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CALL 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE SO ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. PLEASE CALL THE SECRETARY OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD/SPECIAL MAGISTRATE AT (352) 629-8309 TO MAKE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

For further information regarding your code enforcement case, you may contact the person assigned to your case by email or telephone below:

Stephani Smith Code Enforcement Officer smsmith@ocalafl.gov 352-355-5242

CITY OF OCALA GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 201 SE 3rd STREET (2nd floor), OCALA, FLORIDA 34471

CASE NO: CE25-0476

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

Section 2-446 (b) 2 (b)

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION





GODE ENFORCEMENT 352-629-8309

DO NOT REMOVE THIS SIGN WITHOUT APPROVAL FROM THE CITY CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
201 SE 3rd STREET (2nd floor) OCALA, FLORIDA 34471

NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

GASTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379

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Code Enforcement Division

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CASE NO: CE25-0476

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING Section 2-446 (b) 2 (b)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MARION	
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority personally appeared, _ Division of the, City of Ocala, who after being duly swom, deposes	Shaneka Greene , for the Code Enforcement and states as follows:
I did on 08/11/2025 post the Notice of Violation & Pub 110 SE Watula Avenue Ocala, FL	olic Hearing toOcala City Hall, located at
2. This Affidavit is provided pursuant to Section 2-446(b) 2(b)), Code of Ordinances of the City of Ocala.
FURTHER, AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.	Code Enforcement Specialist
STATE OF FLORIDA MARION COUNTY	
SWORN TO (or affirmed) before me: 08/11/2025 by Yvette Gri is personally known to me.	llo Code Enforcement Specialist, City of Ocala, who

YVETTE J. GRILLO Notary Public - State of Florida Commission # HH 335985 My Comm. Expires Mar 17, 2027

Bonded through National Notary Assn.



CITY OF OCALA CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

201 SE 3rd STREET, 2nd FLOOR OCALA, FLORIDA 34471

MORPH-0476

CERTIFIED MAIL



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this man died 2 years AGO - STOP SONDIAL him MAIL!!

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GÁSTON EDDIE C EST 2603 SW 10TH ST APT 379 OCALA, FL. 34471-8891

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