



**LEGAL NOTICE TO BE POSTED
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City of Sarasota
Code Compliance Division
1575 2nd Street
3rd Floor
Sarasota, FL 34236
Phone: (941) 263-6417

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Tommy A Watkins
1673 36th St
Sarasota, FL 34234-6019

Date: 8/27/2025
Case No. 2025-01236

Summary:

Our Inspection of: **1673 36th St**

Details of the alleged violation appear in this Notice of Violation. If you have any questions about the violation(s) cited or this notice, contact the Code Compliance Inspector at the phone number(s) provided at the end of this Notice of Violation.

To avoid a hearing with the Special Magistrate, and the possible imposition of fines against you and your property, you must correct these violations within 5 day(s) from receipt of this notice and call the Code Compliance inspector at the phone number(s) provided at the end of this Notice of Violation so compliance can be verified.

Please read this entire Notice. It includes important information about your rights and responsibilities, and instructions on how to avoid incurring fines, and how to attend a code hearing to contest the alleged violation(s).

Si usted necesita ayuda con entender esta carta, por favor llame (941) 263-6417.

Dear Owner,

The Mayor and the City Commission are greatly concerned about the need to keep all houses and properties located within the City of Sarasota, Florida, in a safe, sanitary and useable condition. To promote these goals, on-site inspections are performed regularly by City Inspectors. These inspections are performed in the interest of the safety and public welfare of all citizens. This program has resulted in an inspection of the property referenced in this Notice of Violation.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Case No. 2025-01236 has been opened on the property described below:

Legal Owner: WATKINS TOMMY A.

Property ID: 2020020010

As a result of the inspection of the above referenced property conducted on 07/11/2025 the City contends that the property is in violation of the provisions of the following code section(s):

Violation Listings:		Number of Violations Listed: 2
Violation Number	Violation Date	Violation(s):
001	7/11/2025	<u>City Code 16-47 Accumulation of junk, rubbish, trash, and abandoned articles prohibited.</u> It is unlawful for any person to accumulate, store or allow the accumulation or storage of any junk, rubbish, trash or abandoned articles upon any public or private real property within the city unless it is authorized in conjunction with a business lawfully operated pursuant to the zoning code of the city. Infraction: Accumulation of junk, rubbish, trash, and abandoned articles on the property. Corrective Action: Remove all accumulation of junk, rubbish, trash, and abandoned articles from the property and maintain.
002	7/11/2025	<u>City Code 16-49(b) Heavy, dense, rank overgrowth prohibited.</u> Developed lots. It shall be unlawful for any owner to maintain or to permit the excessive growth of weeds, grass, underbrush or other vegetation upon any developed or improved lot in the city in a manner which might communicate fire or serve as a breeding place for or harbor insects, rodents, snakes or other pests or vermin or otherwise constitute a nuisance which is detrimental to the general health, safety and welfare of the city and its inhabitants. Owners shall maintain the entire lot or parcel in accordance with this subsection up to the edge of any paved roadway or city-maintained traveled way abutting the lot or parcel although some portion thereof may be encumbered by an easement for public right-of-way, or other public purposes. This requirement to maintain shall not apply to any median within an abutting roadway. For purposes of this paragraph, "excessive growth" shall mean the growth of grass, weeds or other plant materials which are not cultivated or landscaped or regularly tended in keeping with the character of a residential neighborhood or which reach a height in excess of ten (10) inches. Infraction: Heavy, dense, rank overgrowth on the property. Overgrowth exceeding ten inches. Corrective Action: Remove all heavy, dense, rank overgrowth from property and maintain.

The alleged violation(s) **shall be corrected within 5 days** from receipt of this Notice of Violation. If any of the alleged violation(s) continue(s) beyond that number of days, a hearing will be set in front of the Special Magistrate, and fines and costs could be imposed against you and your property if you are found to be in violation.

It is your responsibility to contact the Code Compliance Inspector at the phone number(s) provided at the end of this Notice of Violation when all violations have been corrected and the property has been brought into compliance. Schedule this inspection as soon as you have corrected the violation(s) in order to negate the need for a hearing and

the possible imposition of costs and/or fines against you. If you correct the violation(s) within the stated time and the Code Compliance Inspector has verified that the property is in compliance, there will be no hearing and no fines or costs imposed, **except for repeat violations**.

Failure to correct the alleged violation(s), will result in the City scheduling a hearing to allow the Special Magistrate to hear the case and to enter an Order imposing the fines and costs which have accrued if a violation is found. You will receive a notice by certified mail regarding the specific date and time of the administrative hearing. You must attend the hearing, present evidence, and testify to any mitigating circumstances regarding the alleged violation. You will be liable for the costs imposed by the Special Magistrate which include costs of the investigation, prosecution and the administrative hearing should you be found guilty of the violation(s) by the Magistrate. You shall also be responsible for a one percent (1%) fee for all fines paid to fund certification and training programs.

All fines and costs imposed by the Special Magistrate's Order shall be recorded as a lien against your personal and real property and shall bear interest at the maximum rate allowed by law.

If you have any questions regarding the notice or the violations, please contact the Code Compliance Inspector at the phone number(s) provided at the end of this Notice of Violation between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or address correspondence to City of Sarasota Code Compliance Division, 1575 2nd Street, Sarasota, Florida 34236. Please indicate the case number and property address on all correspondence.

Dated this 27th day of August, 2025.



Diane Kennedy
Code Compliance Manager



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Code Compliance Inspector
(941) 263-6617
(941) 894-2929

cc: Case File

I do hereby certify that this Notice of Violation has been furnished by certified mail, hand delivery or posting to Tommy A Watkins on this 27th day of August, 2025.



Zhenika Watts