



CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING MINUTES

Thursday, April 23, 2026 at 10:00 AM

Historic City Hall, Commission Chambers – 225 East Main Street, Suite 105

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CALL TO ORDER

Special Magistrate Mitchell called the hearing to order at 10:00 am.

ADMINISTER OATH

Special Magistrate Mitchell administered the oath to anyone present to testify.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

1. Minutes for 03/26/2026 Code Enforcement Citation Hearing
Special Magistrate Mitchell approved the minutes.

NEW CASES

2. 26-009-M
210 S 1st Avenue
Twaine Henry Youngblood
This case was closed prior to the hearing.
3. 26-022-M
405 Heard Bridge Road
Julio Cesar Alvarez & Odalys Rodriguez Gonzalez
Bergens testified the roof was in need of repairs.
Juan Plata - 501 W Main St
Plata addressed the Special Magistrate and stated he was a friend of the property owner and appeared to translate for her. The property owner, Odalys Rodriguez Gonzalez was present.
Plata explained that Gonzalez had been having a difficult time finding work and has not been able to afford a new roof. Plata stated he would be willing to help financially and planned to have the permit pulled.
Mitchell found a violation did exist and gave a compliance date of May 25th. If a permit is not pulled by that date, the fine imposed will be \$100 per day.
4. 26-032-M
310 N 9th Avenue
Jose M Garcia Jr

Bergens testified there were boards on windows and some of those repairs still needed to be done.

The property owner was not present.

Mitchell found a violation did exist and gave a compliance date of May 25, 2026 otherwise a fine would be imposed of \$100 per day.

5. 26-033-L

310 N 9th Avenue

Jose M Garcia Jr

Bergens testified there was an abundance of debris on the lot.

The property owner was not present.

Mitchell found a violation did exist and gave a compliance date of May 25, 2026 otherwise a fine would be imposed of \$100 per day.

6. 26-034-FA

310 N 9th Avenue

Jose M Garcia Jr

Bergens testified there was a pig on the property which is not allowed by City Code however, she was unsure if it was still there.

The property owner was not present.

Mitchell was unable to find whether or not a violation did exist due to lack of evidence. This case was dismissed.

7. 26-035-NA

310 N 9th Avenue

Jose M Garcia Jr

Bergens testified there was a white car that still needed to be removed from the property.

The property owner was not present.

Mitchell found a violation did exist and gave a compliance date of May 25, 2026 otherwise a fine would be imposed of \$100 per day.

8. 26-036-F

615 E Oak Street

Maria D De Gutierrez Tapia

Bergens stated most of the issue was taken care of and they only needed to take down the fence.

The property owner was present and Bergens explained the process of permitting to finish up the work.

This case was closed.

9. 26-037-NA

702 E Summit Street

Lisa E Wright

Bergens testified this case was opened on March 4, 2026 for an accumulation of vehicles. Bergens stated she only had one vehicle left to move as of the hearing.

The property owner was present and stated she was in the process of having it removed. She stated she had donated it and waiting for the organization to pick it up.

Mitchell found a violation did exist and gave a compliance date of May 25, 2026, otherwise a fine would be imposed of \$100 per day.

PUBLIC COMMENT / NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No additional comments presented.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the hearing was adjourned at 10:18 am.