CITY OF COCOA CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF REPORT 7/18/2024

LIEN REDUCTION REQUEST FOR 730 Thomas Ln

CASE # 21-626

The Code Enforcement Board held a public hearing on **September 15, 2022**, at which time the Board found the owner, **Madison Alamosa HECM LLC** in violation of the following:

- Exterior General Condition, Sec. 6-1003 (a)
- Fail to Secure Structure, Sec. 6-900 (b)(7)

The Code Enforcement Board provided the owner sufficient time to correct said violation. Therefore, consistent with the Code Enforcement Board's Order a Non-Compliance Hearing was held on **January 19th**, **2023**.

The lien ran at \$50.00 per day from October 15, 2022 until compliance was achieved on June 22nd, 2023. Code records show onsite inspections were conducted by Officers Murdick, and Myself. The case was closed leaving a fine of \$12,510.00. The current owner, Kerei Stampfel, is requesting that the lien be reduced to the cost of staff.

Staff utilized the following factors in making its recommendation to reduce the lien:

- Whether the current owner owned the property at the time the violation(s) occurred; No
- Applicant resides at the property: **No, this home is vacant**
- The number of violations related to the subject lien; **Two**
- Number of Inspections performed: 21
- Property Taxes: Taxes are paid through 2023
- Other Liens: Records show no outstanding liens on the property. No water liens
- Property Inspection: The property was inspected this morning, July 18th, 2024 and was in-compliance before the Code Board Hearing. An inspection will also occur prior to the Council Meeting

The current market value of the subject property; the current market value is \$179,510 according the Brevard County Property Appraiser as a **Single-Family Residence**.

Staff submits their cost sheet and the in the total amount of \$2,677.50

Staff's recommendation is that the fine/lien be reduced to \$2,677.50 which is the cost of staff to prosecute this case. This reduction is based on the gravity of the violations, the length of time it took the property to come into compliance, and the total amount of the City's Cost.