

Special Magistrate Hearing Minutes
April 15, 2025
5:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

1 Call to Order

Special Magistrate S. Taylor called the Hearing to order at 5:38 p.m.

2 Administration of oath to staff/ Respondents /Witnesses

Special Magistrate S. Taylor swore in all participants for the quasi-judicial segments of the meeting.

3 Red Light Hearing

3.1 Case 1012000000219141

Special Magistrate S. Taylor explained the process of the red-light hearing with Mrs. Singleton. CSA Robin Kasabian proceeded to present the case with a visual and asked for Exhibit 1, depicting the certification of officer, maintenance and certification of the light, and Certificate of Authenticity, to be made part of the record. Special Magistrate S. Taylor accepted Exhibit 1. She then asked the Deputy City Clerk to play the video from the red-light camera. The clerk proceeded to play the video.

Special Magistrate S. Taylor then asked Mrs. Singleton if she had any testimony to give. Mrs. Singleton stated that due to the rainy weather on that day, she felt it safer to keep going rather than to stop to avoid hydroplaning. She noted that she was driving under the speed limit and asked if any consideration could be given to her case.

Special Magistrate S. Taylor stated that there was a violation of Florida Statute 316.083 and that even though Mrs. Singleton was driving under the speed limit. And was trying to avoid hydroplaning those reasons did not fall in the category of the actions that can be excused. Mr. Taylor informed Mrs. Singleton that she would have to pay the fine of \$233.00 and that can be paid at the Police station.

4 Code Enforcement Hearings

4.1. Case 24-771

Special Magistrate S. Taylor opened Case #24-771 for the property located at 277 Panama Dr, Crestview, he noted that the property owner Amy and Christopher Walden was not in attendance.

Code Enforcement Officer A. Blackburn presented the case and requested that Exhibit 1 be entered as evidence.

Special Magistrate S. Taylor accepted Exhibit 1 into the record.

Special Magistrate Taylor asked if there were any communications between code enforcement and the property owners.

Code Enforcement Officer A. Blackburn answered that due to a family emergency Mrs. Walden could not be in attendance. She added that they are aware of the violations, but Mrs. Walden has a

trespassing order against her so that she cannot come on to the property. Yet she has not spoken to Mr. Walden and currently the property is vacant.

Special Magistrate S. Taylor found that there were standing violations on the property. He then stated that the property owner had thirty (30) days to bring the property into compliance and to pay the fee of \$250 for the hearing or a fine not to exceed \$250.00 per day will begin to accrue.

5 Adjournment

Special Magistrate S. Taylor adjourned the Hearing at 5:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by,



Natasha S. Peacock, Deputy City Clerk

Proper Notice having been duly given