

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-____

SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

2 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 53, CODE ENFORCEMENT,**
4 **OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; AMENDING**
6 **DEFINITIONS; AMENDING PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE CODE**
8 **ENFORCEMENT BOARD AND SPECIAL MAGISTRATE(S); ADOPTING**
10 **A PROCEDURE FOR THE REDUCTION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT**
 LIENS; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE CIVIL CITATION
 PROCESS; UPDATING THE SCHEDULE OF VIOLATIONS AND
 PENALTIES FOR CIVIL CITATIONS; PROVIDING FOR
 CODIFICATION IN THE SEMINOLE COUNTY CODE; PROVIDING
 FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

12 **WHEREAS,** Chapter 53, Seminole County Code of Ordinances, addresses County code
enforcement procedures and hearings relating to code enforcement violations, as authorized by
14 Chapter 162, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission finds that the adoption of this ordinance is necessary
16 to enhance the County’s enforcement of certain codes and ordinances and to streamline the
County’s code enforcement procedures; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the County Commission finds that the delegation of authority to a Special
Magistrate to make decisions regarding lien reduction applications will assist the County to
20 expedite the processing and hearing of such lien reduction requests; and

WHEREAS, by a vote of at least a majority plus one, the County Commission finds it
22 appropriate to increase the potential maximum fine amounts as authorized by state law; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission finds that the revisions to the civil citation process
24 will assist the County by providing an alternative method of enforcing County codes and
ordinances which is equitable, expeditious, and effective; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the County Commission finds it appropriate to enact this Ordinance to ensure
compliance with state law and that it is in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare
28 of the citizens of Seminole County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
30 COMMISSIONERS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

Section 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The above recitals represent the legislative findings
32 of the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners supporting the need for this Ordinance.

Section 2. Revising Chapter 53, Code Enforcement. Revising Chapter 53, Code
34 Enforcement of the Seminole County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 53.1. Definitions.

36 For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

Board. The Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida.

38 *Code Enforcement Board or CEB.* The Code Enforcement Board as established pursuant to
this Chapter and Chapter 162, Part 1, Florida Statutes, as may be amended or replaced.

40 *Code Enforcement Clerk.* The person or persons designated by the County Manager as the
Code Enforcement Clerk.

42 *Code Enforcement Officer.* ~~Board~~ County Manager designated employees or agents of
Seminole County whose duty it is to enforce codes and ordinances in the County or any law
44 enforcement officer as defined in Section 943.10(1), Florida Statutes, or its successor provision.

County. The unincorporated areas of Seminole County or the governmental entity as the
46 context requires.

County Manager. The County Manager of Seminole County, Florida, or his or her designee.

48 *Person.* Individuals, associations, joint ventures, partnerships, corporations, and all other
groups or combinations.

50 *Special Magistrate(s).* A special hearing officer who has the authority to hold hearings and
receive and evaluate testimony regarding alleged violation of Seminole County codes including
52 but not limited to the Code of Ordinances, Land Development Code Regulations, and any
resolution duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners.

54 *Violator.* Any person or property owner who has control or appears to have control of a
property or circumstance of an alleged code violation such as a property owner, tenant or business
56 owner.

Sec. 53.2. Intent.

58 It is the intent of this Chapter to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare
of the citizens of Seminole County.

60 **Sec. 53.3. Authorization to designate Code Enforcement Officers.**

The ~~Board~~ County Manager is authorized to designate its employees or agents as Code
62 Enforcement Officers. ~~The designations shall be established in the Seminole County
Administrative Code.~~

64 **Sec. 53.4. Duty of Code Enforcement Officers.**

It is the duty of any person designated as a Code Enforcement Officer to enforce Seminole
66 County codes and ordinances as enacted and from time to time amended by the Board.

~~**Sec 53.5. Code Enforcement Officer training and qualifications.**~~

68 ~~The training and qualifications of County employees or agents and other County Officer
employees designated as Code Enforcement Officers shall be in accordance with Section 3.15(B),
70 Training, of the Seminole County Administrative Code.~~

**Sec. 53.6 53.5. Restrictions on a Board County Manager designated Code Enforcement
72 Officer's authority.**

Nothing contained in this Part shall be construed to authorize or permit a ~~Board County~~
74 Manager designated employee or agent or other County Officer employee of Seminole County to
perform any function or duty of a law enforcement officer other than as specified in this Part.
76 ~~Board County Manager~~ designated employees or agents or other County Officer employees of
Seminole County, unless otherwise authorized by law, shall not make physical arrests or take any
78 person into custody and shall be exempt from the requirements relating to the high hazard or
special risk retirement program and Police Standards and Training Commission as defined in
80 Sections 122.34 and 943.11, et seq., Florida Statutes, or their successors.

~~Sec. 53.7. Enforcement by other means.~~

~~Nothing contained in Chapter 162, Florida Statutes, and this Chapter shall prohibit the Board
82 of County Commissioners from enforcing its codes and ordinances by any other means. It is the
legislative intent of Chapter 162, Florida Statutes, and this Chapter to provide additional options
84 or supplemental means of obtaining compliance with local codes.~~

86 PART 2 CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD AND SPECIAL MAGISTRATE(S)

Sec. 53.8 Creation of Code Enforcement Board and Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s).

88 (a) There is hereby created the Seminole County Code Enforcement Board, which shall
consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole
90 County, Florida. Said members shall be appointed pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 162.05 as
may be amended from time to time. The Code Enforcement Board shall have the jurisdiction,
92 powers and authority vested in such Code Enforcement Board under the provisions of Chapter
162, Florida Statutes, or its successor provisions.

94 (b) The Board of County Commissioners may appoint one or more Code Enforcement
Special Magistrate(s) who may exercise any and all authority granted to the Seminole County Code
96 Enforcement Board under this Chapter. References to a Code Enforcement Board in this Chapter,
administrative procedures, and other documents pertaining to the execution of code enforcement
98 activities, shall be construed to include Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s) if the context and
the law permits such construction, pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 162, Florida
100 Statutes or its successor provisions.

Sec. 53.9. Special Magistrate(s) appointment, ~~term and compensation.~~

102 (a) Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s) are appointed by the Board of County
Commissioners and must be an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of Florida.

104 (b) The County may utilize the services of one or more Code Enforcement Special
Magistrate(s) to conduct hearings concerning codes and ordinances in force within the County.
106 The Board of County Commissioners shall, ~~on an annual basis,~~ appoint at least one (1) qualified
person to serve as Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s).

108 ~~(c) Each Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s) shall serve for a term of one (1) year,
and may be reappointed for consecutive one-year terms. Although appointed for one-year terms,
110 Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s) will be subject to removal by the Board of County
Commissioners, with or without cause, from his or her position at any time during his or her term.
112 Code Enforcement Special Magistrate(s) will not be considered to be County employees, though
they may receive compensation for their services at a rate to be determined by the Board of County
114 Commissioners, and also may be reimbursed for such travel, mileage and per diem expenses as
may be authorized.~~

116 **Sec. 53.10. Legal counsel and Code Enforcement Clerk.**

118 (a) The County Attorney's Office shall provide legal counsel to, and may assist all
County departments in presenting cases to the Code Enforcement Board.

120 (b) ~~The Board of County Commissioners shall designate by duly adopted resolution~~
~~the person, department or agency that shall serve as the Clerk to the Code Enforcement Board.~~ The
Code Enforcement Clerk shall fulfill the duties and responsibilities set forth in this Chapter and
122 shall provide related clerical administrative support as may be reasonably required by the Code
Enforcement Board ~~or~~ and Special Magistrate for the proper performance of ~~its~~ their duties.

124 **Secs. 53.11—53.13. Reserved.**

Sec. 53.14. Violations procedure.

126 (a) It shall be the duty of the Code Enforcement Division and other responsible County
departments, through the Code Enforcement Officers, to initiate enforcement proceedings of
128 violations of the County Code and Ordinances through the Code Enforcement Board and/or
Special Magistrate(s) processes. The Code Enforcement Board and Special Magistrate(s) shall not
130 have the power to initiate such enforcement proceedings. Violations presented to the Code
Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate(s) shall be administered by the Code Enforcement
132 Officers.

(b) In the case of a first time violation of the County Code or County Ordinances, the
134 Code Enforcement Officer or his or her designee shall notify the alleged violator and give him or
her a reasonable time to correct the violation. Should the violation continue beyond the time
136 specified to correct the violation, the Code Enforcement Officer shall request a hearing before the
Code Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate(s) and provide notice to the alleged violator. All
138 notices required by this Section shall be provided to the alleged violator in accordance with the
provisions of Section 162.12, Florida Statutes, ~~and controlling legal precedent.~~

140 (c) If a repeat violation is found, the Code Enforcement Officer shall notify the alleged
violator, but is not required to give the alleged violator a reasonable time to correct the violation.
142 The Code Enforcement Officer, upon notifying the violator of a repeat violation, shall request a
hearing. The Code Enforcement Officer shall schedule a hearing before the Code Enforcement
144 Board or Special Magistrate(s) and shall provide notice to the violator and property owner. The
case may be presented to the Code Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate(s) even if the repeat
146 violation has been corrected prior to the hearing, and the notice shall so state.

(d) If the Code Enforcement Officer has reason to believe that a violation presents a
148 serious threat to the public health, safety, or welfare, or if the violation is irreparable or irreversible
in nature, said decision being in conjunction with the ~~Development Services Director~~ Code
150 Enforcement Division Manager, the Code Enforcement Officer shall make a reasonable effort to
notify the violator and may authorize the scheduling of an emergency hearing.

152 **Sec. 53.15. Hearings, findings, and orders imposing fines and liens.**

(a) The Code Enforcement Officer, in coordination with the Code Enforcement Clerk,
154 shall coordinate the calling of hearings by the Special Magistrate(s) and the Code Enforcement
Board. The County shall provide scheduling of a hearing room and clerical staff as may be
156 reasonably required by the Special Magistrate(s) and Code Enforcement Board to conduct hearings
and perform their duties. All hearings shall be open to the public and minutes shall be kept of all
158 hearings.

(b) Each case before the Special Magistrate(s) or Code Enforcement Board shall be
160 presented by the Code Enforcement Officer, and, if necessary, with the assistance of the County
Attorney. All relevant evidence shall be admitted. When appropriate, the Code Enforcement

162 Officer or County Attorney may call as witnesses persons within the community who are adversely
affected by the alleged code violation.

164 (c) The Special Magistrate(s) and Code Enforcement Board shall not be bound by
formal rules of evidence. Irrelevant, immaterial, or unduly repetitious evidence shall be excluded,
166 but all other evidence of a type of commonly relied upon by reasonably prudent persons in the
conduct of their affairs shall be admissible, whether or not such evidence would be admissible in
168 a trial in a court of law within the state. The Special Magistrate(s) and Code Enforcement Board
shall be bound by the interpretations of the Board of County Commissioners concerning the
170 provisions of the codes, ordinances, resolutions and regulations.

(d) Each party to the hearing shall have the right to call and examine witnesses,
172 introduce exhibits, cross-examine opposing witnesses, impeach witnesses and rebut evidence. The
general public shall not be entitled to present evidence, although members of the general public
174 may be called as witnesses by either party.

(e) The alleged violator has the right, at his/her own expense, to be represented by an
176 attorney at any hearing.

(f) All testimony before the Code Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate(s) shall be
178 under oath and shall be recorded. Minutes shall be kept of all hearings of the Special Magistrate(s)
and Code Enforcement Board by the Code Enforcement Clerk or designee, and all hearings and
180 proceedings shall be open to the public. Per Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, notices of meetings
and hearings must advise that a record is required to appeal. ~~Each board, commission, or agency~~
182 ~~of this state or of any political subdivision thereof~~ The County shall include in the notice of any
code enforcement meeting or hearing, if notice of the meeting or hearing is required, ~~of such board,~~
184 ~~commission, or agency~~, conspicuously on such notice, the advice that, if a person decides to appeal

any decision made by the ~~board, agency, or commission~~ Code Enforcement Board or Special
186 Magistrate(s) with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need
a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim
188 record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which
the appeal is to be based. The requirements of this Section do not apply to the notice provided in
190 Section 200.065(3), Florida Statutes.

(g) The burden of proof shall be with the Code Enforcement Officer and/or County
192 Attorney to show by greater weight of evidence that a code violation exists and that the alleged
violator committed, allowed, or was responsible for maintaining the violation.

(h) If notice has been provided to the alleged violator of the hearing (which shall be as
194 required by Chapter 162, Florida Statutes), the hearing may be conducted and an order rendered
in the absence of the alleged violator.
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(i) At the conclusion of the hearing, the Special Magistrate(s) or Code Enforcement
198 Board shall issue an order setting forth findings of fact, based on evidence of record, and issue
conclusions of law, and shall ~~render relief in the~~ enter an order affording the proper relief consistent
200 with powers granted in this division and with Chapter 162, Florida Statutes. A written order shall
be issued within a reasonable period of time subsequent to the hearing. ~~The order may include a~~
202 ~~notice that it must be complied with by a specified date and that a fine may be imposed if the order~~
~~is not complied with by that date.~~ The order shall include a date by which the violation(s) must be
204 corrected and that a fine may be imposed for failure to correct the violations by the date specified.

(j) If the property owner fails to bring the property into compliance by the date
206 specified in the order, a Code Enforcement Officer shall issue a Notice of Noncompliance
notifying the violator that:

208 (1) The violation(s) was not cured by the date specified in the order;
 (2) The violator has the right to request a lien hearing within 20 calendar days
210 of receipt of the Notice of Noncompliance, and that failure to request a lien hearing may result in
the imposition of a lien pursuant to Section 162.09, Florida Statutes. If the violator timely requests
212 a lien hearing, a code enforcement officer shall notice the violator of a time-certain date and
location for the lien hearing, at which time the violator may appear and be heard before the Special
214 Magistrate or Code Enforcement Board (as applicable), and that failure to appear at the requested
lien hearing may result in the imposition of a lien pursuant to Section 162.09, Florida Statutes. All
216 notices required by this Section shall be provided to the alleged violator in accordance with the
provisions of Section 162.12, Florida Statutes.

218 ~~(j) — If the property owner fails to bring the property into compliance by the specified~~
~~date in the order, a Lien Hearing shall be scheduled by the County at which time the Code~~
220 ~~Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate(s) may issue an order imposing a lien.~~

 (k) A certified copy of an order ~~imposing the lien provided for herein~~ may be recorded
222 in the public records of Seminole County or any other county, and thereafter such order shall
constitute a lien against the property on which the violation exists and upon any other real or
224 personal property owned by the violator and may be enforced in the same manner as a court
judgment by the sheriffs of this state including levy against personal property, but shall not be
226 deemed otherwise to be a judgment of a court except for enforcement purposes.

~~(l) — When an order is recorded in the public records pursuant to this part of this Article,~~
228 ~~and the order is complied with by the dates specified in the order, the Special Magistrate(s) or~~
~~Code Enforcement Board shall issue an order acknowledging compliance that shall be recorded in~~
230 ~~the public records. A hearing is not required if such is an order acknowledging compliance prior~~

to the date set for compliance; provided, however, that the alleged violator shall have the right to
232 request a hearing to determine when compliance has been attained.

Sec. 53.16. Administrative fines and liens.

234 (a) A lien arising from a fine imposed pursuant to this Section runs in favor of the
Board of County Commissioners. ~~Only the Board may approve or deny a request to waive or~~
236 ~~reduce the amount due on a recorded code enforcement lien and, if approved, only the Board of~~
County Commissioners shall execute a satisfaction or release of the recorded lien. Notwithstanding
238 the above, if a violation has been fully remedied and the recorded code enforcement lien has been
paid in full, including all applicable costs, interest, administrative expenses, and attorney's fees
240 pursuant to this Part, a satisfaction or release of lien shall be executed by the Code Enforcement
Division Manager ~~County Manager or designee~~ and shall be recorded by the ~~Seminole County~~
242 Code Enforcement Clerk.

(b) ~~A fine imposed shall be in accordance with the maximum fine stated in Florida~~
244 ~~Statutes. A fine imposed pursuant to this section shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00)~~
per day for a first violation and shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per day for a
246 repeat violation. However, if the Code Enforcement Board or Special Magistrate finds the violation
to be irreparable or irreversible in nature, it may impose a fine not to exceed fifteen thousand
248 dollars (\$15,000.00) per violation.

(c) In determining the amount of the fine, the Special Magistrate(s) and Code
250 Enforcement Board shall ~~utilize the Schedule of Violations and Penalties Recommendations set~~
~~forth in paragraph (d) of this Section and~~ consider the factors set forth in Section 162.09, Florida
252 Statutes, as may be amended, ~~and~~ which include:

- (1) The gravity of the violation;

- 254 (2) Any actions taken by the violator to correct the violation; and
- (3) Any previous violations committed by the violator.

256 (d) — The following table is a guide for use by the Code Enforcement Officers in making
a recommendation for first offence administrative fines to the Code Enforcement Board or Special
258 Magistrate(s):

Schedule of Violations and Guide for Penalty Recommendations		
Violation	Code Section	Fine Amount per day for First Offense
Appliance—abandoned	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Arbor Violation*	L.D.C. Chapter 60	
— 3 inches to less than 12 inches		\$100.00 per tree
— 12 inches to less than 24 inches		\$200.00 per tree
— 24 inches or larger		\$500.00 per tree
Business being operated at a residence	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$100.00
Fence or wall not in original upright condition	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
Furniture—Unusable or abandoned	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Garage sale violations	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
Landscaping violation (other than arbor)	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
Mobile Homes w/out special exeption	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
A violation causing a health or safety concern	S.C.C.— Various Chapters	\$250.00
Outside storage violation	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00

Stagnant pools	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$250.00
Remains or rubble of a structure	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Illegal use of right of way	S.C.C. Chapter 75	\$100.00
Used or scrap building materials	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Sign violations	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
Business operating without an approved site plan	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$150.00
Truck parking in a residential zone	S.C.C. 250.75	\$50.00
Travel Trailer or RV occupied as a residence	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$50.00
Unsecured pool	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$250.00
Unpermitted construction	S.C.C. Chapter 40 or F.B.C. 105.1	\$50.00
Uncultivated vegetation (commercial)	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Uncultivated vegetation (residential)	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$50.00
Rubbish	S.C.C. Chapter 95	\$100.00
Unpermitted use in zoning classification	L.D.C. Chapter 30	\$100.00
All other violations of codes and ordinances		\$100.00

260 *One time fine amount per tree, not per day, to be deposited into the Arbor Violation Trust
Fund (Sec. 60.24(d), L.D.C.).

262 (e) — Fines imposed for Dangerous Dog violations of the Animal Control Ordinance shall
be in accordance with Sections 20.136 and 20.137 of the Seminole County Code.

264 **Sec. 53.17. Application for forgiveness or reduction of code enforcement liens.**

266 (a) Any person or entity seeking forgiveness or reduction of a code enforcement lien
created pursuant to this Chapter shall file an application on a form to be provided by the Code
Enforcement Clerk. Such application shall include, at a minimum:

268 (1) The applicant's name, mailing address, and contact information, including
but not limited to a phone number and email address;

270 (2) The applicant's ownership or other interest in the property;

(3) The date which the property was brought into compliance;

272 (4) The applicant's stated reasons for why compliance was not obtained prior
to the order being recorded;

274 (5) The factual basis upon which the applicant believes the application for
reduction of lien should be granted;

276 (6) The reduction in lien being sought by the applicant, including any requested
reduction of administrative costs;

278 (7) A statement verifying whether a title insurance policy was issued at the time
the property was purchased and whether such title insurance policy identified the lien for
280 which a reduction is being sought; and

(8) Any other pertinent information for the County to consider.

282 Applications submitted by a party other than the property owner shall be accompanied by
a notarized owner authorization form or other documentation acceptable to the County
284 Attorney's Office demonstrating the property owner's consent for the applicant to seek the
forgiveness or reduction.

286 **(b) The County's code enforcement staff shall generate a recommendation to the**
Special Magistrate on the application, which recommendation shall be based upon the factors set
288 **forth in subsection (d) herein.**

(c) The County's code enforcement staff shall schedule a hearing before the Special
290 **Magistrate (lien reduction hearing) within 45 days of receipt of a complete application, or as soon**
as reasonably possible thereafter. All notices required by this Section shall be provided to the
292 **alleged violator in accordance with the provisions of Section 162.12, Florida Statutes.**

(d) In evaluating the lien reduction application, the Special Magistrate shall consider
294 **the following:**

- (1) Length of time the property was in violation;**
- 296 **(2) The gravity of the violation;**
- (3) Any actions taken by the violator to correct the violation;**
- 298 **(4) Any previous violations committed by the violator pertaining to this and**
other properties within the county;
- 300 **(5) Reasons for non-compliance;**
- (6) Whether the applicant acquired the property with actual or constructive**
302 **knowledge of the lien or was responsible for the violation which resulted in the lien;**
- (7) Any other mitigating circumstances presented by the applicant which may**
304 **warrant reduction of the lien;**
- (8) Administrative costs incurred due to the violation(s); and**
- 306 **(9) Any other factors relevant to the inquiry.**

308 (e) At the lien reduction hearing, the County's code enforcement staff shall present its
recommendation to the Special Magistrate. The Special Magistrate shall also permit the applicant
to make a presentation.

310 (f) The Special Magistrate may forgive the entire lien, approve reducing the lien to an
amount certain, or deny the request. If a reduced lien amount is approved, the Special Magistrate
312 will determine the amount of time that the applicant shall have to pay the reduced lien amount in
full. A written order will be provided to the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Section
314 162.12, Florida Statutes. Such order shall provide that if the reduced lien is not paid within the
specified time, the fine shall revert to the lien’s original amount.

316 (g) When a reduced lien amount has been paid within the time specified by the Special
Magistrate’s order, a satisfaction or release of lien shall be reviewed by the County Attorney’s
318 Office, executed by the Code Enforcement Division Manager, and recorded by the Code
Enforcement Clerk.

320 **Sec. 53.18. Defective liens.**

If a code enforcement lien is determined by the Code Enforcement Division Manager, in
322 consultation with the County Attorney’s Office, to be defective and legally unenforceable, a
satisfaction or release of lien shall be executed by the County Manager and shall be recorded by
324 the Code Enforcement Clerk.

Secs. 53.17-19—53.20. Reserved.

326 **PART 3 CODE ENFORCEMENT CITATIONS**

Sec. 53.21. Purpose.

328 The Board hereby adopts a citation system to provide an additional or supplemental means
of obtaining compliance with its codes and ordinances. Nothing contained in this Part shall prohibit
330 the County from enforcing its codes and ordinances by any other means.

Sec 53.22. Codes and ordinances enforced.

332 All Seminole County codes and ordinances may be enforced by citation ~~to the County~~
~~Court of Seminole County~~, except as prohibited by law. The provisions of this Part are an
334 additional and supplemental means of enforcing County codes and ordinances and may be used
for the enforcement of any code or ordinance, or for the enforcement of all codes and ordinances.

336 **Sec. 53.23 Persons authorized to issue citations.**

 A Code Enforcement Officer designated by the ~~Board~~ County Manager or any law
338 enforcement officer as defined in Section 943.10(1), Florida Statutes, or its successor, is authorized
to issue a citation for the violation of any County code or ordinance to a person when, based upon
340 personal investigation, the Code Enforcement Officer has reasonable cause to believe that the
person has committed a civil infraction in violation of a duly enacted code or ordinance and that
342 the ~~County Court~~ Special Magistrate will hear the charge.

Sec. 53.24 Violations procedure.

344 (a) Prior to issuing a citation, a Code Enforcement Officer shall provide notice to the
person that the person has committed a violation of a code or ordinance and shall establish a
346 reasonable time period within which the person must correct the violation. Such time period shall
be no more than thirty (30) days. If, upon personal investigation, a Code Enforcement Officer finds
348 that the person has not corrected the violation within the time period, the Code Enforcement
Officer may issue a citation to the person who has committed the violation.

350 (b) A Code Enforcement Officer is not required to provide the person with a reasonable
time period to correct the violation prior to issuing a citation and may immediately issue a citation
352 if the Code Enforcement Officer has reason to believe that the violation presents a serious threat
to the public health, safety, or welfare, or if the violation is irreparable or irreversible.

354 (c) In the absence of the person who has committed the violation, issuance of a warning
notice or citation may be accomplished by leaving the copies at a person’s usual place of abode
356 with any person residing therein who is fifteen (15) years of age or older and informing the person
of the contents or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested.

358 (d) Issuance of a warning notice or citation to a person doing business may be
accomplished by leaving copies at the person's place of business, during regular business hours,
360 with any employee and informing the employee of the contents or by registered or certified mail,
return receipt requested. Each employee of a person doing business shall be deemed to be an agent
362 of the person doing business for service of warning notices and citations.

 (e) Whenever an alleged violator has a right or is required to do some act within a
364 prescribed period after a notice or other paper and the notice or paper is served by mail, three (3)
days shall be added to the prescribed period.

366 (f) A violation of a County code or ordinance is a civil infraction.

 (g) Each violation of a County code or ordinance is a separate civil infraction. Each
368 day such violation shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate civil infraction.

 (h) The maximum civil penalty pursuant to this Part, shall not exceed \$500.00 ~~plus all~~
370 ~~applicable court costs and legislative assessments,~~ per violation.

Sec. 53.25. Options of persons cited.

372 (a) Any person cited for violation of County codes or ordinances shall be deemed to
be charged with a civil infraction and ~~cited to appear in County Court~~ shall either pay the fine to
374 the Code Enforcement Clerk or request a hearing before the Special Magistrate by filing a request
with the Code Enforcement Clerk.

376 (b) Any person cited for a violation under this Part may, within thirty (30) days of
issuance, either pay the civil penalty set forth in the schedule of violations and penalties at the
378 Code Enforcement Clerk’s Office, or contest the validity of the citation by filing a request with
the Code Enforcement Clerk to receive a ~~court hearing date.~~

380 (1) ~~Pay the civil penalty set forth in the schedule of violations and penalties at~~
~~the Clerk of the Circuit Court's Office; or~~

382 (2) ~~Contest the validity of the citation through appearance at the Clerk of the~~
~~Circuit Court's Office to receive a court date.~~

384 (c) If the person cited pays the civil penalty as provided in subsection (b)(1) of this
Section, ~~he~~ they shall be deemed to have admitted the infraction and to have waived ~~his~~ their right
386 to a hearing on the issue of validity of the citation.

(d) If the person cited ~~appears at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's Office to receive a~~
388 ~~court date~~ requests a hearing as provided in subsection (b)(2) of this Section ~~requests a hearing, he~~
they shall be deemed to have waived ~~his~~ their right to the civil penalty set forth in the schedule of
390 violations and penalties and shall be subject to the maximum civil penalty which shall not exceed
\$500.00 ~~plus all applicable court costs and legislative assessments, per violation.~~

392 (e) The willful refusal to sign or accept a citation issued by a Code Enforcement Officer
or refusal to provide the information required by Section 53.28 shall be a violation of this Part and

394 ~~shall~~ may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in Sections
775.082 or 775.083, or their successor provisions.

396 (f) If the person cited fails to pay the civil penalty within the time allowed, or fails to
appear ~~in court~~ at the requested hearing to contest the citation, ~~he~~ they shall be deemed to have
398 waived ~~his~~ their right to contest the citation and the Special Magistrate may enter a judgment ~~may~~
~~be entered against the person~~ for an amount up to the maximum civil penalty.

400 **Sec. 53.26. Classes of violations and penalties.**

(a) Violations of County codes or ordinances and the applicable civil penalties shall be
402 classified as follows:

Violation Classification	Civil Penalty
CLASS I	\$ 50.00
CLASS II	<u>\$</u> 100.00
CLASS III	<u>\$</u> 200.00
CLASS IV	<u>\$</u> 300.00
CLASS V	<u>\$</u> 500.00

404 (b) County codes and ordinances subsequently enacted or amended may set forth the
applicable civil penalty for violations by designating the appropriate violation classification as
406 provided in subsection (a) of this Section.

Sec. 53.27. Schedule of violation and penalties.

408 (a) Civil infractions of County codes and ordinances, as may be amended, for which
citations may be issued include, but are not limited to:

<i>CLASS I</i>		
(1)	L.D.C. 30.1247	Erection of sign without a permit.
(2)	L.D.C. 30.942	Construction of a boat dock without a permit.
(3)	L.D.C. 70.4	Construction of a seawall without a permit.
(4)	L.D.C. 30.1245(1)	Erection of a private sign in County right-of-way.
(5)	S.F.P.C. 501.1.1	No person shall kindle, maintain any bonfire, rubbish fire, or land-clearing fire without proper permits or leave said fire unattended.
(6)	S.F.P.C. 506.1.2	Smoking in hazardous or designated NO SMOKING areas.
(7)	S.F.P.C. 602.5	Obstruction of fire hydrants, and 602.6 fire protection systems and fire lanes.
(8)	S.F.P.C. 904A	Dispensing flammable liquids into unapproved containers.
(9)	S.F.P.C. 3901.1	Erecting and occupying a tent without a permit.
(10)	S.C.C. 40.26	Contracting without competency or registration.
(11)	S.C.C. 165	Noise Violations.
(12)	S.C.C. 270, Part 12	Improper Use of Fertilizers.
(13)	S.C.C. 165	Causing a Noise Disturbance.
<i>CLASS II</i>		
(1)	L.D.C. 60.21	Removal of Trees without a permit.
(2)	L.D.C. 30.984	Clearing or construction in wetlands without a permit.
(3)	L.D.C. 5.8 and 70.4	Filling or excavating in the floodplain or wetlands without a permit.

(4)	L.D.C. 65	Operation of an approved borrow pit in violation of approved plans or borrow pit regulations.
(5)	L.D.C. 75	Construction or modification of drainage structures in right-of-way without a permit.
(6)	S.F.P.C. 401.1.1	Failure to obtain a permit to maintain, store or handle materials, or to conduct processes which produce conditions hazardous to life or property.
(7)	S.F.P.C. 802.1.1	Designated exit locked with a device which requires the use of a key, tools, or devices which require special knowledge to unlock when the occupancy is open.
(8)	S.F.P.C. 2201.1	Improper use, storage, handling or disposal of hazardous chemicals.
(9)	S.F.P.C. 3101.13.3	Overcrowding beyond approved capacity of a place of assembly.
(10)	S.C.C. 40.71	Electrical work without a permit.
(11)	S.C.C. 40.191	Construction of a well without a permit.
(12)	S.C.C. 45.1	Failure to comply with Business Tax Receipt requirements.
(13)	S.C.C. 95	Creation of Nuisances.
(14)	S.C.C. 235.5	Scavenging or taking the recyclable material, as defined in Chapter 235, of another person.

(15)	S.C.C. 235.52(a)	The collection of waste, operation of a landfill, disposal facility, recycling facility, incinerator or dump without a certificate of public convenience and necessity.
(16)	S.C.C. 235.55(a) and (b)	Failure to maintain waste collection and recycling records as required by the County.
(17)	S.C.C. 235.72(a)	Failure to dispose of solid waste as defined in Chapter 235 originating or generated in the unincorporated County, at a County designated disposal facility.
(18)	S.C.C. 235.72(b)	Burning waste, as defined in Chapter 235, without a permit.
(19)	S.C.C. 235.72(c)	Burying waste, as defined in Chapter 235, without a permit.
(20)	S.C.C. 235.73(e)	Disposal of co-mingled waste at County designated disposal facilities.
(21)	S.C.C. 235.74(e)	Failure to source separate solid waste.
(22)	S.C.C. 235.81	Failure to transport waste in vehicles or trailers that are securely covered to prevent leakage, spillage, or blowing of debris.
(23)	S.C.C. 235.85	Failure of holders of certificates of public convenience and necessity to collect waste during the established hours.
(24)	S.C.C. 250.90(a)	Improper placement of plants in right of way or private property abutting right of way which constitute hazards to traffic safety.

(25)	S.C.C. 250.90(b)	Improper placement of plants in right-of-way or private property abutting right-of-way which may damage or constitute a hazard to any street, sidewalk, curb, driveway, water line, sewer line or any other public utility.
(26)	S.C.C. 270.311(m)	Failure to pretreat industrial wastewater.
(27)	S.C.C. 270.187	Failure to install meter backflow prevention devices.
(28)	S.C.C. 270.186	Obstruction of or tampering with utility meters and meter sites.
(29)	S.C.C. 270.184	Illegal connections to County Water or Sewer System.
(30)	S.C.C. 270.188	Unlawful cross connections with the County Water or Sewer System.
(31)	S.C.C. 270.201	Use of County Water Service in violation of the applicable rate resolution.
(32)	S.C.C. 258	Violations of the Urban Bear Management Regulations— First five (5) offences.
(33)	S.C.C. 165	Repeat violation of causing a Noise Disturbance within three (3) months of the first violation.
(34)	L.D.C. Chapter 71	Violation of Shoreline Protection Ordinance.
<i>CLASS III</i>		
(1)	L.D.C. 30.124 and S.C.C. 235.51	Operation of a class III (yard trash, construction and demolition debris) sanitary landfill without a permit.
(2)	S.C.C. 95.3	Unsecured Swimming Pool.

(3)	S.C.C. 85	Fire Prevention Code and Fire Alarm Systems Code violations.
(4)	S.C.C. 258	Violations of the Urban Bear Management Regulations — Sixth offence and every offence thereafter.
<i>CLASS IV</i>		
(1)	L.D.C. 5.7	Operating a Borrow Pit without a permit.
(2)	L.D.C. 30.124 and S.C.C 235 Part 3	Operation of a class I or II sanitary landfill without a permit.
(3)	S.C.C. 205.34	Discharge of pollutants to surface waters, groundwater or atmosphere.
(4)	S.F.P.C. 2002.2	Unauthorized sale or display of fireworks.
(5)	S.C.C. 222.2	Prohibition of slot machines.
(6)	S.C.C. 222.11	Prohibition of simulated gambling devices.
<i>CLASS V</i>		
(1)	S.C.C. 270, Part 9	Violation of Storm Sewer Discharges Ordinance.
(2)	S.C.C. 165	Second or subsequent repeat violation of causing a Noise Disturbance within three (3) months of the first violation.
(3)	S.C.C. 20.137	Dangerous Dogs violations of the Animal Control Ordinance, assessed per animal.

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CLASS I

L.D.C. Section 30.13.5 Prohibited signs.

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L.D.C. Section 30.13.7 Part 13 Sign regulations; Building permit required.

- S.C.C. Section 40.22 Competency card expiration and renewal.
- 414 L.D.C. Chapter 70 Dredge and Filling.
- L.D.C. Chapter 75 Right-of-way use permitting.
- 416 S.C.C. Section 85.3, Florida Fire Prevention Code (“FFPC”) Section 10.10 Open Flames,
Candles, Open Fires, and Incinerators.
- 418 S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Section 10.9 Smoking.
- S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Section 18.5 Fire Hydrants.
- 420 S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Chapter 66 Flammable and combustible liquids.
- S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Section 25.2 Tents.
- 422 S.C.C. Chapter 165 Noise Control.
- S.C.C. Chapter 270, Part 12 Proper Use of Fertilizers.
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CLASS II
- S.C.C. Chapter 40, Appendix A, Section 105.1 Permits required.
- 426 S.C.C. Section 40.24 Business Tax Receipt.
- L.D.C. Chapter 60 Arbor regulations.
- 428 L.D.C. Chapter 65 Mining, borrow pits, and excavation.
- L.D.C. Chapter 71 Shoreline Protection Ordinance.
- 430 S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Section 1.12 Permits and approvals.
- S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Chapter 14 Means of Egress.
- 432 S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Chapter 20 Occupancy Fire Safety.
- S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Chapter 60 Hazardous Materials.
- 434 S.C.C. Chapter 95, Part 1 Nuisances. (Violations of Chapter 95 shall be Class II
violations unless otherwise provided in this Section).

- 436 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 302.1 Sanitation.
S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 302.4 Weeds.
- 438 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 302.7 Accessory Structures.
S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 302.8 Motor Vehicles.
- 440 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 304.3 Premises identification.
S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 304.7 Roofs and Drainage.
- 442 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 304.13 Window, skylight and door frames.
S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 305.1.1 Potentially unsafe conditions - interior structure.
- 444 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 305.3 Interior Surfaces.
S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 308.1 Accumulation of rubbish or garbage.
- 446 S.C.C. Section 235.6 Scavenging prohibited.
S.C.C. Section 235.52(a) Certificate of public convenience and necessity.
- 448 S.C.C. Section 235.81 Transportation; leaking and spillage.
S.C.C. Section 235.85 Collection hours.
- 450 S.C.C. Section 250.90 Site distance obstructions.
S.C.C. Chapter 258 Urban Bear Management Regulations – First five offenses.
- 452 S.C.C. Section 270.184 Illegal connections.
S.C.C. Section 270.187 Backflow prevention devices.
- 454 S.C.C. Section 270.188 Cross connections and interconnections.
S.C.C. Section 270.201 Water service fees.
- 456 **CLASS III**
- S.C.C. Chapter 85 Fire Prevention Code and Fire Alarm Systems Code violations.

458 S.C.C. Chapter 258 Violations of the Urban Bear Management Regulations — Sixth offence
and every offence thereafter.

460 **CLASS IV**

S.C.C. Section 85.3, FFPC Chapter 65 Explosives, Fireworks, and Model Rocketry.

462 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 303.1 Swimming Pools.

S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 303.2 Enclosures.

464 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 604.3 Electrical system hazards.

S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 702 Means of Egress.

466 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 109.8 Prohibited Occupancy.

S.C.C. Section 222.2 Prohibition of slot machines.

468 S.C.C. Section 222.11 Prohibition of simulated gambling devices.

CLASS V

470 S.C.C. Section 95.5; IPMC Section 704.6 Single- and multiple-station smoke alarms.

(b) The schedule of violations and penalties set forth in subsection (a) of this Section
endeavors to include the civil infractions of County codes and ordinances to be enforced by
citation, but is not all inclusive. All violations of County codes and ordinances, except as prohibited
by law, including violations of codes and ordinances subsequently enacted may be enforced by
citation without further amendment to this Part. All violations of codes and ordinances not listed
in subsection (a) of this Section shall be penalized as Class I violations.

Sec. 53.28. Citation form

478 (a) The citation issued by the Code Enforcement Officer shall be on a form
promulgated by the Code Enforcement Division Manager, and shall contain:

480 (1) The date and time of issuance.

482 (2) The name and address of the person to whom the citation is issued and all
other identifying information set forth on the form which is approved in subsection (b) of
this Section.

484 (3) The date and time the civil infraction was committed.

(4) The facts constituting reasonable cause.

486 (5) The number or section of the code or ordinance violated.

(6) The name and authority of the Code Enforcement Officer.

488 (7) The procedure for the person to follow in order to pay the civil penalty or
to contest the citation.

490 (8) The applicable civil penalty if the person elects to contest the citation.

(9) The applicable civil penalty if the person elects not to contest the citation.

492 (10) A conspicuous statement that if the person fails to pay the civil penalty
within the time allowed, or fails to appear in court to contest the citation, he shall be deemed
494 to have waived his right to contest the citation and that, in such case, judgment may be
entered against the person for an amount up to the maximum civil penalty.

496 (b) ~~The citation issued under the provisions of this Part shall be in a form substantially
as set forth below:~~

~~SEMINOLE COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT CITATION~~

~~FINE: \$ _____ JURISDICTION: SEMINOLE COUNTY CITATION NO. 000000-Z~~

500 ~~THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT UPON PERSONAL INVESTIGATION HE/SHE
HAS REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, AND DOES BELIEVE THAT:~~

502 ~~NAME (PRINT) FIRST M.I. _____ LAST SSN~~

504 ~~STREET (MAILING ADDRESS)~~

506 ~~CITY COUNTY STATE _____ ZIP~~

508 TELEPHONE NUMBER DATE OF BIRTH RACE SEX HEIGHT

510 DID UNLAWFULLY COMMIT THE FOLLOWING OFFENSE:

512 CODE & SECTION VIOLATED/ORDINANCE NO. & SECTION VIOLATED:

VIOLATION DESCRIPTION:

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FACTS CONSTITUTING REASONABLE CAUSE:

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LOCATION OF VIOLATION:

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WARNING NOTICE OF VIOLATION REQUIRED

520 MONTH _____ DAY _____ YEAR _____ TIME () A.M. DATE AND TIME OF
NOTICE: () P.M.

522 VIOLATOR WAS INSTRUCTED TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION WITHIN _____ DAYS.

524 MONTH _____ DAY _____ YEAR _____ TIME () A.M. IF NOT CORRECTED
CITATION ISSUED: () P.M.

WARNING NOTICE OF VIOLATION NOT REQUIRED

526 MONTH _____ DAY _____ YEAR _____ TIME () A.M. DATE AND TIME CITATION
ISSUED: () P.M.

528 VIOLATION PRESENTS A SERIOUS THREAT TO (PUBLIC
HEALTH/SAFETY/WELFARE) OR IS (IRREPARABLE/IRREVERSIBLE).

530 **NOTICE TO INDIVIDUAL**

532 THE VIOLATION FOR WHICH YOU ARE CHARGED IS A NONCRIMINAL
534 INFRACTION. **YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN
536 ADMISION OF GUILT. IT DOES INDICATE A PROMISE TO APPEAR WITHIN 30
538 DAYS AT THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT'S OFFICE TO PAY THE
540 APPLICABLE FINE OR RECEIVE A COURT DATE. FAILURE TO RESPOND TO
542 THIS CITATION WITHIN 30 DAYS MAY RESULT IN ENTRY OF A JUDGMENT
544 AGAINST YOU. FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT SHALL RESULT IN THE WAIVER
546 OF YOUR RIGHT TO CONTEST THE CITATION AND A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY
BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MAXIMUM CIVIL PENALTY OF FIVE
HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) PLUS ALL APPLICABLE COURT COSTS.
ANY PERSON WHO WILLFULLY REFUSES TO SIGN AND ACCEPT A CITATION
ISSUED BY A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE WHICH MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY FINE
NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) OR
IMPRISONMENT NOT TO EXCEED 60 DAYS OR BOTH. I HEREBY CERTIFY BY MY
SIGNATURE THAT THE PERMANENT ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE IS MY CORRECT**

548 MAILING ADDRESS AND THAT ALL OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION IS TRUE
AND CORRECT.

550 SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL

552 Badge No: _____

SIGNATURE OF AND TITLE OF OFFICER/DATE AND TIME ISSUED

554 IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW. PAYMENTS MAY
556 BE MAILED. BE SURE TO ENCLOSE ALL REQUIRED ITEMS WITH YOUR
PAYMENT AND PLACE A STAMP ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE.

558 YOU MAY MAIL THE AMOUNT INDICATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS
CITATION ALONG WITH THE COPY OF YOUR CITATION OR PAYMENT MAY BE
560 MADE AT LOCATIONS LISTED BELOW BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:30 A.M. AND
4:30 P.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. ;b0;CASH, CHECKS, OR MONEY ORDERS
562 PAYABLE TO CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, WILL BE ACCEPTED. DO NOT MAIL
CASH. ALL FEES MUST BE REMITTED IN U.S. FUNDS.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEMINOLE COUNTY COURTHOUSE P.O. BOX 850 301 NORTH PARK AVENUE SANFORD, FLORIDA 32771	CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT EAST BRANCH WILSHIRE PLAZA 859 EAST SEMORAN BOULEVARD CASSELBERRY, FLORIDA 32701
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564 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
566 WEST BRANCH OAK GROVES SHOPPES
955 STATE ROAD 434 WEST, SUITE 403
568 ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, FLORIDA 32714

570 FAILURE TO PAY THE APPLICABLE FINE MAY RESULT IN ENTRY OF A JUDGMENT
AGAINST YOU FOR THE MAXIMUM CIVIL PENALTY OF FIVE HUNDRED AND
572 NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) PLUS ALL APPLICABLE COURT COSTS. FAILURE TO
ACCEPT OR SIGN THIS CITATION MAY RESULT IN A FINE NOT TO EXCEED FIVE
574 HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) OR IMPRISONMENT NOT TO EXCEED 60
DAYS OR BOTH.

576 FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S USE:

REMARKS:

578 WITNESSES:

580 NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

582 NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

584 NAME _____ ADDRESS

586 ~~(e)(b)~~ After issuing a citation to an alleged violator, the Code Enforcement Officer shall:

588 ~~(1) deposit the original citation and one copy of the citation with the Clerk of
Circuit Court;~~

~~(2) provide the alleged violator with one copy;~~

590 ~~(3) deposit one copy with County records; and~~

~~(4) retain one copy in the Code Enforcement Officer’s department or division
592 file.~~

~~(1) scan and upload the original citation to the digital code enforcement case
594 record;~~

~~(2) provide the alleged violator with one copy; and~~

596 ~~(3) deposit the original citation with the Code Enforcement Clerk.~~

~~Sec. 53.29. Disposition of civil penalties and fines collected for violations.~~

598 ~~All civil penalties and fines received by the County Court from violators of County codes or
ordinances shall be paid into the general fund of the County in the penalty, fine and forfeiture
600 account. All court costs and legislative assessments shall be maintained by the Clerk of the Circuit
Court.~~

602 **Secs. ~~53.3029~~—53.50. Reserved**

604 **Section 3. Codification.** It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that
the provisions of this Ordinance will become and be made a part of the Seminole County Code,
and that the word “ordinance” may be changed to “section”, “article”, or other appropriate word

606 or phrase and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such
intention, except that Sections 1, 3, 4 and 5 of this Ordinance are not to be codified.

608 **Section 4. Severability.** If any provision or application of this Ordinance to any person
or circumstance is held invalid, then it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners that
610 such invalidity will not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given
effect without the invalid provision or application and, to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance
612 are declared severable.

Section 5. Effective date. This Ordinance will take effect upon filing a copy of this
614 Ordinance with the Department of State by the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, this
616 _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

GRANT MALOY
Clerk to the Board of
County Commissioners of
Seminole County, Florida

JAY ZEMBOWER, Chairman

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