ATTACHMENT 5

Lynn Barbee Mayor

Joe Benson Council Member

Deb LeCompte Council Member



Jay Healy Mayor Pro Tem

Mike Hoffer Council Member

Bruce Oakley Town Manager

Date: March 13th, 2024

Notice of Violation

Attn to: Ant Bates Motel LLC Street Address: 124 E Main St City, State & Zip: Benson, NC 27504

REFERENCE: 3 Cape Fear Blvd, Carolina Beach NC 28428 (Silver Dollar)

To whom it may concern:

A council meeting occurred on March 12th, 2024, for a text amendment to change the maximum allowance a barrier may protrude from the business at the boardwalk. Council denied the extra allowance and the barrier needs to be brought into compliance.

To ensure that the barrier follows the Town ordinances the following things need to be altered:

- 1. It needs to be **detached** from the building. The barrier should not be something that needs tools to remove it from the building.
- 2. There shall be a minimum of two but no more than three horizontal rigid connections on each barrier. Currently there appears to be 6 horizontal connections.
- 3. The bar tops that have been attached to the windows also need to be easily removeable. Meaning they cannot act as a permanent encroachment. For them to remain up please ensure that they are easily detachable or modified in a way that they can be folded up.
- 4. The barrier **cannot exceed more than 5ft** from the building. Currently it sits just over 6ft.

This letter is to notify you that the referenced property is in violation of town ordinances and to ensure that there is a timeline in which to have the issues addressed in a timely manner.

Reference of Section & Chapter & Ordinance: Chapter 34, Section 66: Operations

(b) Encroachments shall not involve permanent alterations to public space. Any obstructions used in the encroachment area shall be of a type that is easily removed from the public right-of-way. Encroachments shall be removed within 24 hours of notice from the town.

(3) If utilized, barriers shall be:

- i. Size: a minimum of 36 inches and a maximum of 48 inches in height, and must be free-standing, stable, and removable.
- ii. Base: The base of the barrier shall be square and flat footed and no more than ¹/₂ inch in height.
- iii. Barrier connections: Rigid wood or metal shall be utilized to connect each barrier. There shall be a minimum of two but no more than three horizontal rigid connections on each barrier.
- iv. Signage: Temporary signage may be utilized in between barriers in accordance with Chapter 40 Article

In no instance shall an encroachment exceed more than ¹/₄ the width of the boardwalk.

The Violation shall be abated in accordance to *Section 18-38* of the Town Municipal Code, <u>compliance must be</u> <u>met within 15 business days</u> of the date of this written notice or posting of said property. Failure to meet compliance will result in further action to remove or remediate the condition at the owners' expense.

The owner has 30 days from receipt of the written notice of the determination within which to file an appeal. Appeals of administrative decisions made by the staff shall be made to the board of adjustment. An appeal is taken by filing a notice of appeal with the local government clerk or a local government official designated by ordinance. The notice of appeal shall state the grounds for the appeal (G.S. 160D-405).

Please contact me at 910-458-8492 with any questions or concerns.

Ashley Martin	03/13/2024
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Date:

Code Enforcement Officer

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