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OAKLAND PARK AGGRESSIVELY ADDRESSES ABANDONED PROPERTIES

OAKLAND PARK, Fla...(August 17, 2010) – With direction from the Oakland Park City Commission, the Oakland Park Code Enforcement Division and the City's Code Enforcement Board are aggressively addressing vacant/abandoned private properties.

"This effort focuses on properties deemed by the City's Code Enforcement Board to present a threat to public health, safety and welfare," said Jay Quier, Zoning & Code Enforcement Administrator. "Our staff has been authorized by the City Commission to proceed with making the necessary repairs and place liens against the properties to cover the costs to taxpayers."

Quier stated that the repairs and property maintenance include, but are not limited to mowing, refuse removal, securing structures or swimming pools and unsanitary swimming pools. He emphasized the intent behind strengthening the compliance process is to avoid blight and make neighborhoods safer.

"Protecting the integrity and safety of our neighborhoods, businesses, and activity centers is a vital service for the City of Oakland Park," stated City Manager John Stunson. "It is a service that must never be compromised and includes neighborhood beautification."

To learn more about Oakland Park's Code Enforcement, including the on-line "E-Code" feature to report possible code violations 24 hours a day, please call 954-630-4400 or log on to the City's website at www.oaklandparkfl.org (City Services). The Web Address for registering Vacant Abandoned Properties is: oaklandpark@vacantregistry.com

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