From:	Demetrius Petrow
To:	Heather Faust
Cc:	Matthew Powell
Subject:	Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Improper Lien/ Fraud 6841 Roman Ave. NP
Date:	Monday, June 15, 2026 6:43:38 AM
Attachments:	Ford Lien Info.pdf

Good morning,

Per my conversation with the CM, it appears that that the only way to remove this lien is to have the commission board look into this.

Can we please make an agenda item to review this in order to remove this lien? The person in this matter requested to have this on morning meeting agenda.

Thank you in advance!

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Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Jerome Fletcher <jfletcher@northportfl.gov>
> **Date:** June 2, 2026 at 4:41:45 PM EDT
> **To:** Demetrius Petrow <dpetrow@northportfl.gov>, Alaina Ray <aray@northportfl.gov>
> **Cc:** Julie Bellia <jbellia@northportfl.gov>, Tricia Wisner <twisner@northportfl.gov>
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> Hi Commissioner, thank you, we will look into this situation and see what we can do to help. We will follow up shortly.
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> **From:** Demetrius Petrow <dpetrow@northportfl.gov>
> **Sent:** Tuesday, June 2, 2026 3:58:58 PM
> **To:** Jerome Fletcher <jfletcher@northportfl.gov>; Julie Bellia <jbellia@northportfl.gov>; Tricia Wisner <twisner@northportfl.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Improper Lien/ Fraud 6841 Roman Ave. NP

Hi all,

Yesterday I received a call regarding this and I asked the caller to put it in writing.

Can you please look into this? The lady (owner) is over 80 years old and has anxiety and stressed over this. The owner bought the house after the bulk garbage was picked up.

Also, can you also please let me know when it gets resolved.

Thanks in advance!

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On Jun 1, 2026, at 9:17 PM, Paddy Connors <justsayno2snow@verizon.net> wrote:

Hi Mr. Petrow,
Per your request, I will try to summarize the information regarding the lien placed on my neighbor's (Mr. & Mrs. Carl & Gail Ford) property, 6841 Roman Ave, NP on 12/20/2010.

My neighbor's husband of 50 years recently passed away and I am helping her straighten things out. After deciding to research how her property was titled, I came across a lien filed on her home in 2010 by the City of NP. Mrs. Ford was completely unaware of its existence.

We inquired with the city to provide any and all documentation regarding this lien. The attached packet of papers is what was provided.

Summary from what can be gathered from this provided info and a timeline:
* Wednesday 9-8-10 Photos were taken of garbage in front of residence
* Thursday 9-9-10 Email sent at 8am regarding

these previously taken photos
* Friday 9-10-10 Garbage was picked up & hauled away (info provided on bill issued on 10-20-10, see below)
* Mrs. Ford visited the property, doing what is called a walk through, prior to heading to the closing.

There was no garbage in front of the home. It had already been removed.
* Mrs. Ford goes to the closing and signs the documents to purchase the home on 9-10-10 (see Deed
which is recorded in public records 9-20-10). The home needs lots of repairs, so no one will be able
to move in until significant repairs are completed.
* 10-20-10 City of NP issues a bill in Old Owner's name
* 12-14-10 City verifies ownership in Property Appraiser records.....this shows the Fords as new owners
and mailing address as CT
* 12-20-10 City records Lien on Mrs. Ford's home
* 7-23-12 City verifies ownership in Property Appraiser records
* 5-21-26 I discovered Lien and immediately began to inquire

From the info provided and the timeline above, it is clear that this garbage is NOT FROM NOR ARE THE FEES RELATED TO ITS REMOVAL THE RESPIONSIBILITY of Mrs. Ford. This garbage was from previous owners and was removed before she took ownership.

If the city sent any mail at all, it was NEVER sent to the owners in CT. There was NEVER proper service!

It is now 16 years later!

In the last week there have been both written communications and phone calls with both Property Standards and Solid Waste departments. Kevin Raducci , Mgr of Property Stds, stated to me that he'd release the lien if the solid waste dept emailed him to do so. So then I asked who do we speak to in Solid Waste to send you this email. He told me to contact Frank Lama. On Fri, 5/29/26 Gail & I had a meeting with Frank. After explaining the situation, Frank ultimately asked Gail what she WOULD pay. She said "Zero,

it's not my bill." Frank said he couldn't/wouldn't waive it, its a code enforcement issue. So we are being sent in circles for a resolution. Both departments are denying responsibility and pointing fingers at each other. Frank then went on to say he'd have to ask the ACM.

Frank also stated during our meeting that "this happens all the time". If it does, this is a problem that the city needs to figure out a solution to. New owners should not be responsible for bills generated by the previous owner. I realize that some people may not go through the proper channels during a property purchase and may not do a title search prior to purchase. But this is not the case in this situation. This lien was placed over 3 months after her purchase, it is not garbage she generated, and she was never notified of any issues!

Shame on North Port!

Thank you for your assistance in correcting this injustice for my friend & neighbor! Please don't hesitate to call me with any questions.

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