

City of Jacksonville, Florida

Donna Deegan, Mayor

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E-mail:

<u>ibarker@fcnmhp.org</u>First Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc. 6817 Norwood AvenueJacksonville, FL 32208

RE: Cease and Desist Citation WP-25-15

Gravity Wastewater Collection/Transmission System located at Real Estate ID Number (RE) 031706-0000, addressed at 6817 Norwood Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida (the "System" at the "Property")

Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment and stormwater system; Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System and Failure to provide required records.

Consent Order

The purpose of this letter is to complete the resolution of violations of the City of Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) Rule 3 as identified by the Office of Administrative Services in Cease-and-Desist Citation WP-25-15 (the "Citation"), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein. The corrective action was completed by jetting the lines and cleaning the affected outdoor area. To complete the resolution of this case, the payment of a civil penalty of \$900 is required. The check shall be made payable to the City of Jacksonville Environmental Protection Trust Fund and shall be mailed to the Department's Environmental Quality Division ("EQD") at 214 N. Hogan Street, Fifth Floor, Jacksonville, FL 32202 and Reference WP-25-15 within 30 days after approval of this agreement by the JEPB. EQD cannot accept this payment until after JEPB approval. Do not submit payment until receipt of a fully executed Consent Order with the JEPB Chair signature.

Payment of such amount does not constitute, nor shall it be construed as, an admission of liability or wrongdoing for any allegations in the Citation.

Your signing of this letter constitutes your agreement to the terms of the letter. After this letter has been countersigned by the Department and approved by the JEPB, this letter shall constitute a consent order and final action on behalf of the Department and full satisfaction of the Citation and the matters alleged in the Citation. The terms of the consent order may be enforced in a court of competent jurisdiction, pursuant to Jacksonville Ordinance Code Chapter 360. Failure to comply with the terms of this consent order may constitute a violation of Jacksonville Ordinance Code Section 362.110.

The Department for, and in consideration of, the timely performance by the Respondent of the obligation agreed to in this consent order, hereby waives any rights to seek administrative or judicial imposition of civil and administrative action, complaints, citations, causes of action, and claims arising from the Citation. The Respondent waives its right to an administrative hearing on, or judicial review of, the terms of this consent order.

Failure to sign and return this document to the Department on or before <u>June 10, 2025</u>, will be assumed to be a rejection of the settlement agreement contained herein. This matter will then be referred to the City's Office of General Counsel for further action.

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

6/5/2025	Signed by: A A
Date	Richard A. Reichard
	Office of Administrative Services
6/5/2025	rst Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc.
Date	Print Name: Jennifer Barker Print Title: CEO
	ORDER
I hereby certify that the foregoing the City of Jacksonville this	document was adopted by order of the Environmental Protection Board ofday of
Signed by:	
Thomas Deck. Chair	

Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board

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CEASE AND DESIST CITATION WP-25-15

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First Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc.
6817 Norwood Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32208

Certified Mail
Certified Number: 9489009000276495274069
First Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc. c/o Jennifer Barker, CEO
6817 Norwood Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32208
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First Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc.
6817 Norwood Avenue

Jacksonville, FL 32208

RE: Duval County - Water Pollution

Gravity Wastewater Collection/Transmission System located at Real Estate ID Number (RE) 031706-0000, addressed at 6817 Norwood Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida (the "System" at the "Property")

Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment and stormwater system; Failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System and Failure to provide required records.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Florida Statutes (FS) Chapter 403 and Jacksonville Ordinance Code (JOC) Title X, Chapters 360 and 362, the owner of the System and Property is hereby notified that they are in violation of FS Chapter 403 and Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board (JEPB) Rule 3. On April 24, 2025, City of Jacksonville – Office of Administrative Services – Environmental Quality Division (EQD) staff investigated a Discharge of wastewater from the System at the Property and documented:

- a violation of Rules 3.103B for an unpermitted discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground, surrounding environment and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4"); and the following water quality sampling results are a violation of Rule 3.201;
 - (1) the wastewater sample collected by EQD staff at the point of discharge to the environment had a laboratory analytical result of greater than 241,960 MPN/100 ml for E. coli (a violation of 3.201), and

(2) the water quality standard for a single sample for E. coli is less than 410 MPN/100ml;

- b. a violation of Rule 3. 103G for the failure to notify EQD that a release or discharge of wastewater from the System to the ground and surrounding environment had occurred; and
- c. a violation of 3.405A.8 for the failure to submit the required report within five days.

At the time of the investigation, the owner of the System and Property was:

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First Coast No More Homeless Pets, Inc., a Florida Not For Profit Corporation, pursuant to the Special Warranty Deed dated September 25, 2008, and recorded in the Official Records of Duval County, Florida in Book 14652 and Page 320.

The violations were determined by EQD staff during site investigation and records review. The enforcement investigation documentation is available for review and will be provided electronically as detailed below.

CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUIRED

- Cease the:
 - a. the unpermitted Discharge of untreated wastewater to the ground and surrounding environment, and MS4;
 - b. the failure to notify EQD of Discharge from the System and
 - c. the failure to provide required report.
- 2. Acknowledge this Cease and Desist Citation within two days of receipt by contacting EQD Staff by email at enforcement@coj.net and EQD will then provide the investigation documents by response email. You may also call (904) 255-7100 to speak with EQD Staff about this Citation. However, we must receive an email from you to facilitate communication.
- 3. A written response to this Cease and Desist Citation is required within ten (10) calendar days from the date of receipt of this Citation, by email to EQD Staff at enforcement@coi.net and must include:
 - a. A summary of the reason for the discharge and documentation for the corrective actions taken as of that date:
 - b. Photo documentation of any repairs.

The potential maximum daily penalty for violations is \$10,000 per day, per violation under Jacksonville Ordinance Code (JOC) Title X, Chapter 362. If litigation or an administrative hearing is required to achieve compliance, full penalties will be sought in addition to associated costs and legal fees.

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DATED this 16 day of May City of Jacksonville NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT	, 2025
Signed by: Richard Reichard	
Richard A. Reichard Office of Administrative Services	
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