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PROPERTY ADDRESS:

2433 - 39 W. 59th Street

DEFENDANTS

Discount Realty Services, Ltd.

c/o: Peter Burdi, Registered Agent

431 S. Dearborn #203 Chicago, IL 60605

INDEX NO.:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT - FIRST DISTRICT

CITY OF CHICAGO, a Municipal Corporation,)	16N1	403542
•)	No.	
Plaintiff,)		
)	Re: 2433	-39 W. 59th Street
v.)		
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DISCOUNT REALTY SERVICES, LTD.,)		•
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Defendant.)		

PLAINTIFF CITY OF CHICAGO'S COMPLAINT FOR EQUITABLE AND OTHER RELIEF

Plaintiff City of Chicago ("City"), by its attorney Stephen R. Patton, Corporation Counsel, complains of Defendants Discount Realty Services, Ltd. ("Defendant") as follows:

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

Nature of the Case

- 1. The City alleges that the property located 2: 2433 39 W. 59th Street, contains outdoor vehicle storage, a sign, and other violations of Title 17 ("Zoning Ordinance") and various other provisions of the Municipal Code of Chicago.
- 2. The City brings this action pursuant to its police power as a home rule unit of local government under Article VII of the Illinois Constitution, which includes "the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare." Ill. Const. Art. VII \\$6(a). As a further grant of authority, the City brings this action pursuant to Chapter 65, Sections 5/11-13-15, 5/11-31-1 and 5/11-31-2 of the Illinois compiled statutes, as amended, which expressly authorizes the City to maintain an action for injunctive relief to restrain, correct or abate a violation of the City's zoning laws. By bringing this action, the City seeks, among other

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relief, a finding that Defendant's activities are illegal and an injunction requiring Defendant to cease all illegal activities immediately.

The Parties and the Property at Issue

- 3. The City is a municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois.
- 4. Within the county of Cook and the corporate limits of the City is a parcel of real estate legally described as:

LOT 1, 2, 3 IN BLOCK 10 IN COBE AND MCKINNONS 59TH STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE SUBDIVISION IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER AND THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWN SHIP 38 NORTH RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The property has an address of 2433 – 39 W. 59TH Street, Chicago, Illinois and permanent index numbers of 19-13-406-010-0000, 19-13-406-008 00 00 and 19-13-406-009-0000 ("subject property").

- 5. At all times relevant to this complaint, the subject property was an unimproved vacant lot.
 - 6. The subject property's lot area is approximately 10,407 square feet.
- 7. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Defendant Discount Realty Services, Ltd., an Illinois Corporation, was the record owner of the subject property, having obtained title by Quit Claim Deed on July 29, 2004 and recorded as document number 0422332119 on August 10, 2004.
- 8. At all times relevant to this Complaint, the subject property was located in a B3-2 Community Shopping District. See Municipal Code of Chicago §§17-3-0100 et seq. (2016).

Activities in Violation of the Municipal Code of Chicago

- 9. Beginning on or about July 19, 2016, and continuing to the present, the subject property contained outdoor vehicle storage, a sign, and other violations of Title 17 ("Zoning Ordinance") and various other provisions of the Municipal Code of Chicago.
- 10. On or about July 19, 2016, the subject property contained approximately eleven vehicles, stored outdoors.
 - 11. Con or about July 19, 2016, the vacant lots did not contain any fencing.
- 12. On or about July 19, 2016, the subject property contained a four foot high mound of dirt as well as low areas that were retaining water.
- 13. On or about July 19, 2016, the subject property contained two six foot by twelve foot signs, both on an eight foot high pole, that stated "Sigue Corp. ENVIOS DE DINERO."
 - 14. To date, no permits have been issued by the City for the two signs.

COUNT I

Prohibited Use - Outdoor Vehicle Sterage - Civil Penalties

- 15. The City realleges paragraphs 1-14 of this Complaint and incorporates them in this Count as if fully set forth herein.
- 16. Sections 17-3-0200 et seq. of the Zoning Ordinance designates the permitted and prohibited uses in a B3-2 District. See Municipal Code of Chicago §§17-3-0204 and 17-3-0207 (2016).
- 17. More specifically, Section 17-3-0304-A provides that all allowed business, service, and commercial activities in a B3 District must be conducted in a completely enclosed building. See id.; Municipal Code of Chicago §17-3-0304-A (2016).

- 18. Beginning on or about July 19, 2016, and continuing to the present, Defendant violated Sections 17-3-0204 and 17-3-0304-A of the Zoning Ordinance in that the subject property contained approximately eleven motor vehicles stored outdoors.
- 19. The penalty for violating Sections 17-3-0204 and 17-3-0304-A of the Zoning Ordinance is a fine "not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$1,000.00. Each day such a violation or failure to comply exists after notice constitutes a separate and distinct offense."

 Municipal Code of Chicago §17-16-0511 (2016).

WHEREFORE, the City requests that this Court grant the following relief:

- A. Find that Defendant violated Sections 17-3-0204 and 17-3-0304-A of the Zoning Ordinance;
- B. Fine Defendant in the amount of \$1,000.00 for each day this violation has existed and continues to exist, pursuant to Section 16-0511 of the Zoning Ordinance; and
- C. Grant any other relief that this Court deems appropriate.

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Erecting and/or Constructing Signs without a Permit - Civil Penalties

- 20. The City realleges paragraphs 1-14 of this Complaint and incorporates them in this Count as if fully set forth herein.
- 21. Section 17-12-0709 of the Zoning Ordinance prohibits any sign that is erected, constructed, or altered without a permit issued by the City. See Municipal Code of Chicago §17-12-0709 (2016).
- 22. The requirement for a permit is provided in Section 13-20-550 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, which states that "unless a valid permit has been obtained from the Department of Buildings, it shall be unlawful for any person (1) to own, maintain, erect, install, alter, repair

or enlarge any sign, or associated sign structure covered by the provisions of this article." See

Municipal Code of Chicago §13-20-550 (2016).

- 23. Beginning on or about July 19, 2016, and continuing to the present, Defendant violated Sections 17-12-0709 and 13-20-550 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, in that the subject property contains two six foot by twelve foot signs, both on an eight foot high pole, that stated "Sigue Corp. ENVIOS DE DINERO," that were erected without obtaining a permit from the City.
- 24. The penalty for violating Section 17-12-0709 of the Zoning Ordinance is contained in Section 13-20-520 of the Municipal Code which provides that any person who violates the ordinance:

shall be fined not less than \$7,500.00 nor more than \$10,000.00. Each day such a violation or failure to comply exists constitutes a separate and distinct offense. If Defendant can show that the square footage of the sign is between 200 and 499 square feet per face, the fine is not less than \$2,000.00 nor more than \$5,000.00. If Defendant can show the sign is between 100 and 199 square feet, the fine is not less than \$750.00 nor more than \$1,500.00. If Defendant can show the sign is between zero and 99 square feet, the fine is not less than \$350.00 nor more than \$750.00. See Municipal Code of Chicago \$17 16-0511, \$13-20-520 (2016).

WHEREFORE, the City requests that this Court:

- A. Find that Defendant violated Section 17-12-0709 and 13-20-550 of the Municipal Code;
- B. Fine Defendant in the amount of \$10,000.00 for each day this violation existed and continues to exist, pursuant to Section 16-0511 of the Zoning Ordinance; and
- C. Grant any other relief that this Court deems appropriate.

COUNT III

Building Code Violations - Civil Penalties

- 25. The City realleges paragraphs 1-14 of this Complaint and incorporates them into this Count as if fully set forth herein.
- 26. On or about July 19, 2016, and on each succeeding day thereafter the Defendant failed to comply with the Municipal Code of Chicago as follows:
 - A. The vacant lots did not contain any fencing, in violation of Section 7-28-750 of the Municipal Code; and
 - B. The subject property contained a four foot high mound of dirt as well as low areas that are retaining water, in violation of Section 13-196-600 of the Municipal Code;
- 27. The penalty for violating the above cited code sections is not less than \$200.00 and not more than \$1,000.00 per violation per day for each day said violations have existed. See Municipal Code of Chicago §§13-12-020, 13-12-040 and 17-16-0511 (2016).

WHEREFORE, the City requests that this Court.

- A. Find that Defendant violated Sections 7-28-750 and 13-196-600 of the Municipal Code;
- B. Fine Defendant in the amount of \$500.00 for each day these violations have existed and continue to exist, pursuant to Sections 13-12-020 and 13-12-040 of the Municipal Code; and
- C. Grant any other relief that this Court deems appropriate.

COUNT IV

Public Nuisance - Equitable Relief

- 28. The City realleges paragraphs 1-27 of this Complaint and incorporates them in this Count as if fully set forth herein.
- 29. Defendant's violations of the Municipal Code may be enjoined under 65 ILCS 5/11-13-15, 5/11-31-1(a) and 5/11-31-2 which expressly authorizes the City to maintain an action for injunctive relief to restrain, correct or abate a violation of the City's zoning laws. See 65 ILCS 5/11-13-15, 5/11-31-1(a) and 5/11-31-2 (2011). See also Municipal Code of Chicago §17-16-0508 (2014) (City may seek an injunction to abate a violation of the Zoning Ordinance) and §13-12-070(2014) (City may seek an injunction requiring compliance with the minimum standards of health and safety of the Municipal Code).
- 30. Because 65 ILCS 5/11-13-15 g ants the City a statutory basis for injunctive relief, Defendant's violations of the Zoning Ordinance may be enjoined without the traditional showing for obtaining such relief. See Village of Riverdale v. Allica Waste Trans., Inc., 334 Ill. App. 3d 224, 228-29 (1st Dist. 2002); City of Chicago v. Krisjon Construction Co., 246 Ill. App. 3d 950, 959 (1st Dist. 1993); City of Chicago v. Piotrowski, 215 Ill. App. 3d 829, 334-35 (1st Dist. 1991).
- Nonetheless, the City is able to make the traditional showing for such relief, as Defendant's violations constitute a continuing and ongoing injury to the public heath, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City in that Defendant's use and maintenance of the subject property:
 - a. threaten the character, stability, and beneficial enjoyment of the area, which the ordinances of the City have been enacted to protect;
 - b. are incompatible with the character of development of the area, and thus are an unlawful interference with the use and enjoyment of the surrounding properties, which are protected by law;

- c. have an adverse and deleterious effect upon the adjacent area and contribute to the blighting and downgrading of the area; and
- d. constitute a deliberate and willful disregard for the lawfully enacted ordinances of the City, enacted to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.
- 32. Defendant's illegal use of the subject property constitutes immediate and irreparable damage to the public health, safety, and welfare in that Defendant continues to ignore the ordinances of the City and interfere with the enjoyment of property by surrounding property owners.
- 33. There is no adequate remedy at law in that prosecuting and fining Defendant for violating the Municipal Code of Chicago will not adequately remedy Defendant's continuous intrusions upon the rights of residents of the City.
- 34. A permanent injunction is necessary to stop Defendant's continuing violations of the Municipal Code of Chicago.

WHEREFORE, the City requests that this Court grant the following relief:

- A. Find that Defendant violated the sections of the Municipal Code of Chicago as alleged herein;
- B. Find that Defendant created and maintained the common low public nuisance as alleged herein;
- C. Issue a mandatory injunction requiring Defendant to correct and above violations of the Municipal Code of Chicago;
- D. Alternatively, authorize the City to abate any violation of the Municipal Code of Chicago, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-13-15, the costs of which are to be assessed as a judgment against the Defendant;
- E. Appoint a receiver, if necessary, to correct the conditions alleged in this Complaint with the full powers of receivership including the right to issue and sell receiver's certificates in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/11-31-2;
- F. Issue a permanent injunction enjoining the Defendant, its agents, employees, successors, assignees, and other persons acting in concert with it, or under its

control, from engaging in or maintaining the violations of the Municipal Code as alleged herein; and

G. Grant any other relief that this Court deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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