UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT Eastern District of California

Honorable Christopher D. Jaime 1200 I Street, Suite 200 Modesto, California

PRE-HEARING DISPOSITIONS COVER SHEET

DAY: TUESDAY

DATE: February 16, 2021

CALENDAR: 1:00 P.M. CHAPTER 13

Each matter on this calendar will have one of three possible designations: No Ruling, Tentative Ruling, or Final Ruling. These instructions apply to those designations.

No Ruling: All parties will need to appear at the hearing unless otherwise ordered.

Tentative Ruling: If a matter has been designated as a tentative ruling it will be called. The court may continue the hearing on the matter, set a briefing schedule, or enter other orders appropriate for efficient and proper resolution of the matter. The original moving or objecting party shall give notice of the continued hearing date and the deadlines. The minutes of the hearing will be the court's findings and conclusions.

Final Ruling: Unless otherwise ordered, there will be no hearing on these matters and no appearance is necessary. The final disposition of the matter is set forth in the ruling and it will appear in the minutes. The final ruling may or may not finally adjudicate the matter. If it is finally adjudicated, the minutes constitute the court's findings and conclusions.

Orders: Unless the court specifies in the tentative or final ruling that it will issue an order, the prevailing party shall lodge an order within seven (7) days of the final hearing on the matter.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Eastern District of California

Honorable Christopher D. Jaime Bankruptcy Judge **Modesto, California**

February 16, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

1. $\frac{19-90305}{BSH}$ -B-13 DANI IBRAHIM AND ATOURINA MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN NISANO 1-4-21 [$\frac{71}{2}$] Brian S. Haddix

Final Ruling

The motion has been set for hearing on the 35-days notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(d)(1), 9014-1(f)(1), and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b). The court determines that the resolution of this matter does not require oral argument. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h).

The court's decision is to deny the motion to confirm as moot.

The Debtors filed a new modified plan on January 27, 2021. The confirmation hearing for the modified plan is scheduled for March 9, 2021. The earlier plan filed January 4, 2021, is not confirmed.

The motion is ORDERED DENIED AS MOOT for reasons stated in the minutes.

2. $\frac{19-90316}{BSH}$ -B-13 TERESA AGUILAR MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN Brian S. Haddix 1-5-21 [$\frac{52}{2}$]

Final Ruling

The motion has been set for hearing on the 35-days' notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-1(d) (2), 9014-1(f) (1), and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3015(g). The failure of the respondent and other parties in interest to file written opposition at least 14 days prior to the hearing as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f) (1) (B) is considered to be the equivalent of a statement of nonopposition. *Cf. Ghazali v. Moran*, 46 F.3d 52, 53 (9th Cir. 1995). No opposition was filed. The matter will be resolved without oral argument. No appearance at the hearing is required.

The court's decision is to permit the requested modification and confirm the modified plan.

11 U.S.C. § 1329 permits a debtor to modify a plan after confirmation. The Debtor has filed evidence in support of confirmation. No opposition to the motion was filed by the Chapter 13 Trustee or creditors. The modified plan complies with 11 U.S.C. §§ 1322, 1325(a), and 1329, and is confirmed.

The motion is ORDERED GRANTED for reasons stated in the minutes. Counsel for the Debtor shall prepare an appropriate order confirming the Chapter 13 Plan, transmit the proposed order to the Chapter 13 Trustee for approval as to form, and if so approved, the Chapter 13 Trustee will submit the proposed order to the court.

3. $\frac{16-90219}{DCJ-5}$ -B-13 SHARON HAMILTON MOTION TO MODIFY PLAN $\frac{DCJ}{DCJ-5}$ David C. Johnston 1-10-21 [272]

Final Ruling

The Debtor having filed a notice of withdrawal for the pending motion, the withdrawal being consistent with any opposition filed to the motion, the court interpreting the notice of withdrawal to be an ex parte motion pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(2) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014 and 7014 for the court to dismiss without prejudice the motion, and good cause appearing, the motion is dismissed without prejudice.

The motion is ORDERED DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for reasons stated in the minutes.

4. <u>20-90663</u>-B-13 JUAN DIAZ AND SUPINDER MOTION TO CONFIRM PLAN BSH-1 LIDHAR 1-4-21 [24]
Brian S. Haddix

Final Ruling

The motion been set for hearing on the 35-days notice required by Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(d)(1), 9014-1(f)(1), and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002(b). The court determines that the resolution of this matter does not require oral argument. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(b).

The court's decision is to deny the motion to confirm as moot.

A second amended plan was filed on January 19, 2021. The confirmation hearing for the amended plan is scheduled for March 2, 2021. The earlier plan filed January 4, 2021, is not confirmed.

The motion is ORDERED DENIED AS MOOT for reasons stated in the minutes.

5. <u>20-90764</u>-B-13 LUCIO/VERONICA AMARAL RDG-1 T. Mark O'Toole

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 1-27-21 [18]

Final Ruling

The objection was properly filed at least 14 days prior to the hearing on the motion to confirm a plan. See Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(c)(4) & (d)(1) and 9014-1(f)(2). Nonetheless, the court determines that the resolution of this matter does not require oral argument. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h).

The court's decision is to sustain the objection.

The Debtors filed a non-opposition to the Trustee's objection and state that they will file an amended plan that addresses the issues raised. The Trustee's objection is sustained.

The objection is ORDERED SUSTAINED for reasons stated in the minutes.

6. <u>20-90768</u>-B-13 JUAN/HEIDI RUIZ <u>RDG</u>-1 Simian S. Hundal

Thru #8

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY RUSSELL D. GREER 1-27-21 [27]

Final Ruling

The objection was properly filed at least 14 days prior to the hearing on the motion to confirm a plan. See Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(c)(4) & (d)(1) and 9014-1(f)(2). Nonetheless, the court determines that the resolution of this matter does not require oral argument. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h).

The court's decision is to overrule the objection as moot.

Subsequent to the filing of the Trustee's objection, the Debtors filed an amended plan on February 10, 2021. The confirmation hearing for the amended plan is scheduled for March 23, 2021. The earlier plan filed January 27, 2021, is not confirmed.

The objection is ORDERED OVERRULED AS MOOT for reasons stated in the minutes.

The court will issue an order.

7. <u>20-90768</u>-B-13 JUAN/HEIDI RUIZ <u>SSH</u>-2 Simian S. Hundal

MOTION TO VALUE COLLATERAL OF HOME LOAN CENTER, INC. 1-15-21 [22]

Final Ruling

The motion has been set for hearing on less than 28-days notice. Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(f)(2). Due to court closures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the court has determined this matter may be decided on the papers. See General Order No. 618 at p.3, ¶ 3 (E.D. Cal. May 13, 2020) (ordering courthouse closure "until further notice" due to the COVID-19 pandemic and further ordering that all civil matters are to be decided on the papers unless the presiding judge determines a hearing is necessary). The court has also determined that oral argument will not assist in the decision-making process or resolution of the motion. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h), 1001-1(f).

The court's decision is to value the secured claim of Home Loan Center, Inc. at \$0.00.

Debtors move to value the secured claim of Home Loan Center, Inc. ("Creditor") pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 506(a). Debtors are the owners of the subject real property commonly known as 2029 La Villa Rose Court, Modesto, California ("Property"). Debtors seek to value the Property at a fair market value of \$360,000.00 as of the petition filing date. As the owner, Debtors' opinion of value is some evidence of the asset's value. See Fed. R. Evid. 701; see also Enewally v. Wash. Mut. Bank (In re Enewally), 368 F.3d 1165, 1173 (9th Cir. 2004).

Proof of Claim Filed

The court has reviewed the Claims Registry for this bankruptcy case. It appears that Claim No. 10-1 filed by Veripro Solutions Inc. is the claim which may be the subject of the present motion.

Discussion

The first deed of trust secures a claim with a balance of approximately \$362,695.00. Creditor's second deed of trust secures a claim with a balance of approximately \$91,595.77. Therefore, Creditor's claim secured by a junior deed of trust is completely under-collateralized. Creditor's secured claim is determined to be in the amount of \$0.00, and therefore no payments shall be made on the secured claim under the terms of any confirmed Plan. See 11 U.S.C. § 506(a); Zimmer v. PSB Lending Corp. (In

re Zimmer), 313 F.3d 1220 (9th Cir. 2002); Lam v. Investors Thrift (In re Lam), 211 B.R. 36 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1997).

The valuation motion pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3012 and 11 U.S.C. \S 506(a) is granted.

The objection is ORDERED GRANTED for reasons stated in the minutes.

The court will issue an order.

8. <u>20-90768</u>-B-13 JUAN/HEIDI RUIZ SW-1 Simian S. Hundal

OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION OF PLAN BY ALLY BANK 1-12-21 [19]

Final Ruling

The objection was properly filed at least 14 days prior to the hearing on the motion to confirm a plan. See Local Bankruptcy Rules 3015-1(c)(4) & (d)(1) and 9014-1(f)(2). Nonetheless, the court determines that the resolution of this matter does not require oral argument. See Local Bankr. R. 9014-1(h).

The court's decision is to overrule the objection as moot.

Subsequent to the filing of Ally Bank's objection, the Debtors filed an amended plan on February 10, 2021. The confirmation hearing for the amended plan is scheduled for March 23, 2021. The earlier plan filed January 27, 2021, is not confirmed.

The objection is ORDERED OVERRULED AS MOOT for reasons stated in the minutes.