Being a Good Neighbor
Overview of Property Maintenance Codes for Residential Properties

Storage shed – Permit required if over 120 sq. ft. No permit required if 120 sq. ft. or less and no greater than 8 feet in height. Zoning requirements must always be met.

Recreational vehicles must be parked in an enclosed structure such as a garage, or the side or rear yard, behind the front building line and be suitably screened from view.

A 3 foot clear space shall be maintained around the circumference of a fire hydrant.

Any tree, shrub or limbs projecting beyond the back of the curb line or the usual location thereof at a point less than 12 feet above the street level and/or less than 8 feet above a sidewalk are deemed to be hazardous.

Pools that can hold 12 or more inches of water must be enclosed with a fence. A permit is required to install a pool.

The maximum height of a fence in the rear yard shall be 6 feet. The smooth (finished) side of the fence must face the neighboring property. Electric, barbed wire, razor ribbon, livestock or other similar fencing is prohibited. The installation of a fence requires a permit.

Grass (or weeds) exceeding 8 inches in height is a code violation.

Decks exceeding 200 square feet, more than 30 inches above grade at any point, or attached to the dwelling require a permit.

Vehicles not properly licensed or in an inoperable condition must be stored inside or removed from the premises.

Keep the sidewalk, abutting your property, free of snow, ice and mud/debris.

No waste or recyclable material shall be placed in front of the building line earlier than 6:00 p.m. the night before collection.

This is an overview only of some of the code requirements pertaining to residential property maintenance. For additional information about code enforcement contact the Neighborhood Services Department 913.676.8360

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