

BEAUTIFY YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD THROUGH PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

*Increase property values * Enhance quality of life * Deter crime
Foster community pride * Improve health and safety
Allow proper drainage * Create visual beauty*



What should I do to maintain my property?

- Properly dispose of garbage, abandoned/inoperable vehicles, furniture, and appliances.
- Trim limbs and overgrowth so that alleys, streets, and sidewalks are not blocked.
- Keep drainage pipes or drainage areas including curbs and gutters clean and maintained.
- Maintain yards and properties so that weeds and grass are less than 10 inches in height.

What is required by the City's Code of Ordinances?

Garbage – Remove trash or garbage which endangers public health, welfare, safety, or the peaceful enjoyment by those who live next door. Why? Accumulation of garbage presents the danger that it will 1) catch fire; 2) attract and propagate vermin, rodents, or insects, or 3) blow into the street, sidewalk, or a neighbor's property. (Sec. 42-50)

Weeds and grass – With the exception of well-maintained flowers and ornamental vegetation, keep grass less than 10 inches in height. (Sec. 42-50)

Trees and shrubbery – Make sure that trees or shrubs do not block or damage the streets, sidewalks, or alleys or block the drainage pathways. (Sec. 42-50)

Appliances – Regardless of condition, household appliances, machinery, and indoor furniture should not be left out in the yard where they can be viewed from the street or a neighbor's property. This includes stoves, refrigerators, televisions, beds, lamps, tools, mowers, garden tractors, and building materials. (Sec. 42-48)

Vehicles (Abandoned or Inoperable) -- If a vehicle is abandoned or inoperable, the vehicle needs to be properly stored or removed. An apparently abandoned vehicle hasn't been moved or maintained for at least 60 days. An apparently inoperable vehicle is not capable of moving on its own power or doesn't comply with legal requirements to operate on public streets. This includes car and trucks, tractors, boats, watercrafts, boat and utility trailers, mobile homes, motor homes, campers, and all-terrain vehicles. (Sec. 42-48)

Vehicles (Parking) -- No more than four vehicles shall be parked in any front yard. All parking must be at a minimum on a semi-improved or gravel surface. Trailers, campers, motorhomes, and boats are not allowed to be parked in any front yard. (Sec. 120-102)

The Fire Prevention Division (270-444-8522) located in City Hall is dedicated to working with property owners to ensure everyone's safety. Efforts to maintain your yard and property are appreciated.