

City of Mercer

Beautification Week, May 14 – 20

April 20, 2017

Dear Mercer City Property Owner:

The City of Mercer has conducted property maintenance inspections, including exterior housing and business conditions. These inspections are part of a city wide beautification effort, established with the objective of maintaining the appearance of residential neighborhoods and the business districts. The City would like to be proactive in raising the awareness of residents and business owners of the importance of maintaining homes and properties with the goal of maintaining a beautiful city.

The City is asking that you voluntarily clean up your property. Fixing, repairing, mowing, cleaning up and removing piles of junk, removing vehicles that are not used, and anything else necessary to improve your property.

If you need any help with the items mentioned above, please feel free to give the city office a call, 701-447-2600.

A city wide beautification effort can help preserve the livability of neighborhoods, which is critical to maintaining a community's long-term stability and overall quality of life.

We hope that you will support our efforts to promote greater awareness and cooperation among residents and business owners regarding the value and benefits of maintaining a quality neighborhood and business district. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact any City Council Person or Mayor.

Ordinance- Chapter 12, Public Nuisances – Automobiles and Personal Property, Article 4. 12.0401
Unsheltered storage of old, used, stripped, junked, & other automobiles not in good, safe, operating, condition, & of anyother vehicles, machinery implements, and/or equipment & personal property of any kind which is no longer safe for the purposes for which it was manufactured, for a period of 20 days or more within the City, any motor vehicle, animal & article of personal property which constitutes in obstruction to hazard or detriment to public safety & public health, or may be abandoned or unclaimed within the City, is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

Ordinance- Chapter 12, Public Nuisances- Automobiles and Personal Property, Article 4. 12.0603
Any building which is deemed hazardous, unsafe, or a health hazard will be subject to demolition and complete removal by the order of the City and State Health Agency.

12.0605 FAILER TO CORRECT DEFECT

ANY PROPERTY OWNER WHETHER PRIVATE OR COMMERCIAL WHO FAILS TO PROPERLY PROVIDE MAINTENANCE ON THEIR LOTS WILL RECEIVE A LETTER FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OR STATE INSPECTING AGENCY OUTLINING THE DEFECTS OF THEIR MAINTENANCE. If NO ACTION IS TAKEN (WITHIN 15 DAYS) BY THE PROPERTY OWNER TO CORRECT THESE DEFECTS THE CITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION.

- 1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HIRE SOME INDIVIDUAL OR FIRM TO CORRECT AND REPAIR ANY OR ALL OF THE DEFECTS AND BILL THE PROPERTY OWNER.*

2. *THE PROPERTY OWNER HAS THIRTY DAYS FROM THE INITIAL BILLING TO PAY THE COST OF THE MAINTENANCE ON THEIR LOT OR LOTS.*
3. *IF THE PROPERTY OWNER WILL NOT PAY THIS COST THEN A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR ALL EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE CITY WILL BE PLACED ON THE PROPERTY TAXES AS PROVIDED BY CITY ORDINANCE.*

We are organizing a city wide Rummage Sale Friday and Saturday June 2nd, and 3rd, 2017. Form is enclosed, fill out if you are interested in participating so the City can advertise your Sale! Drop off at city hall door!

Working on a Mercer Market in the Park in middle of July, watch for information.

You are welcome for coffee every Friday morning at the City Hall at 9am. Starting the 28th of April. Come join us!

Waste Management City Customers

Dumpster overflow and tote overflow (bags on the side) is not recommended. Waste Management charges extra, so you will be charged extra. They take photos and send them to the city. Boxes must be broke down so they go into dumpsters or totes.

Please do not take advantage of the city dumpster. I have had several residents contact me when they need to use it. I have instructed residents to use it when a problem occurs. This costs the city extra money when it is abused, in turn it will cost you (customers) if it continues.

If you need or use a second tote you must pay for it.

Thank you, City Auditor