

**Staff Responses to Council Questions
December 4, 2012**

7. Active Agenda E. Ordinance: Amend Parking Permit Fees

Are there private parking spaces available for commuter parking? If so, how much are the fees?

Yes, staff contacted a few known providers of parking spaces. The VFW currently charges \$120 per quarter and is anticipating raising the rate to \$150 pending board approval. Automatic Appliance Parts sells permits for \$150 per quarter. Holy Trinity in Westmont charges \$100 per quarter.

Could the Village increase the non-resident permit fees? Does this require Metra or BNSF review and approval?

Under the Village's agreements with Metra and BNSF, the Village is required to notify the entities in writing of the proposed fee increase and allow 60 days for them to object. If the entities do not object to further changes, the Village could increase the non-resident permit fees.

Under the current staff proposal, the new fees will be effective for the second quarter of 2013. To reduce postage costs, permits are billed one quarter in advance and bills are mailed along with the current quarter's permit. Permit holders will be billed later this month at this increased rate and payment is due in February for the quarter beginning in April. At the direction of the Village Council, staff could further increase the rate; this would require the 60-day process to begin again, which would delay the effective date to the third quarter of 2013.

How many total commuter spaces (for quarterly/monthly passes) do we have?

There are 957 total commuter permit spaces, allocated amongst the stations as follows:

Station	Commuter Permit Spaces
Belmont	437 spaces
Main Street	395 spaces
Fairview	125 spaces

How many of those are filled by residents?

Belmont: 478 permits issued (160 resident, 318 non-resident)

Main Street: 481 permits issued (433 resident, 48 non-resident)

Fairview: 148 permits issued (85 resident, 63 non-resident)

How many do we have on the waiting list?

Main St: 615

Belmont: 626

Fairview: 201

How many of the waiting list are residents?

Main St: 615 residents

Belmont: 223 residents, 403 non-residents

Fairview: 103 residents, 98 non-residents

8. First Reading C. Bid: Award \$303,090.00 to D. Ryan Tree & Landscape, LLC, DeKalb, IL, for Parkway Tree Pruning Services

Is there a reason why D. Ryan's bids for these two services are so much lower than the other bidders? Has D Ryan previously held the contract for tree and stump removal?

The low bid, D. Ryan Tree & Landscape, was significantly lower than expected. Staff attributes this to a competitive marketplace, the timing of the bid, and their interest in working again for the Village. This company had this removal contract in 2009 and assisted with tree removal cleanup during the summer storm of 2011.

12. Council Member Reports and New Business: Discussion on Village Fowl Regulations

There are no setback restrictions if the coop is located within the residence?

The code applies to any structure housing fowl; therefore, a strict interpretation would apply the setback requirements to a coop located within a residence. However, without a complaint and permission to enter, it would be difficult to enforce the ordinance for fowl housed inside.

For fowl, if kept in the residence, must they meet the same clean and feed requirements?

Yes, but without a complaint and permission to enter the premises and observe the violation, this is not enforced.

Under current regulations, the fowl can be kept closer to a neighboring property (even a house) than the owners of the fowl?

Assuming the yard is large enough, especially regarding depth, it is possible that a coop could be located closer to the neighbor's property and house than that of the owner's.

You provided a list of permissive municipalities. Please provide a list of non-permissive municipalities.

The list was found within a report prepared by Western Springs, which staff had on hand. If the Council directs staff to perform additional research, staff will prepare a list of municipalities that are non-permissive.

You provided a pro-planning op ed piece. Are there no articles on opposition? Please provide. The article is highly prejudicial. (Halwell and Nierenburg).

Staff was previously aware of the article from Planning magazine on the topic. If the Council directs staff to perform additional research, staff will find additional information.

What is the history of current complaints and pending actions? Please provide all documentation and pictures.

There are two active cases and information is attached. There were five complaints this year, resulting in enforcement actions on three chicken cases and one goose case. The final case turned up no birds.

Were the past and current complaints from neighbors? What were the complaints?

All fowl ordinance code actions were based on complaints, as rear yard structures are not ordinarily visible to code enforcement personnel. Many complaints were anonymous, but appear to be from neighbors or others claiming to be directly impacted.

Non-Agenda Related

Have there been any lot consolidations approved this last week? If so, please provide address(es) and names of petitioner(s) and number of lots consolidated in each request.

No.

ATTACHMENTS

Active Fowl Management Code Enforcement Case Information



VILLAGE OF
DOWNERS GROVE

Robert Sandmann <bsandmann@downers.us>

Compliant about 4117 Highland - Chickens

1 message

Sharon Connell <sconnell@downers.us>

Wed, Oct 31, 2012 at 2:26 PM

To: Robert Sandmann <bsandmann@downers.us>

Anonymous caller says above address has chickens & is out of hand with wildlife coming around. Wants to remain anonymous.

Sharon Connell
Administrative Secretary II
Community Development Department
Village of Downers Grove
Phone: 630-434-5515
Fax: 630-434-6873



Property Maintenance - # 4068

Location Information

Inspection Date/Time: / Current Status:
 10/31/2012 03:45:00 PM OPEN

Street Number / Street Name / Unit:
 4117 HIGHLAND AVE
 Occupant/Tenant (business name if applicable):

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:
 JOHN & LEANN LOLLI
 Contact: OWNER Contact Type: LETTER Telephone #:

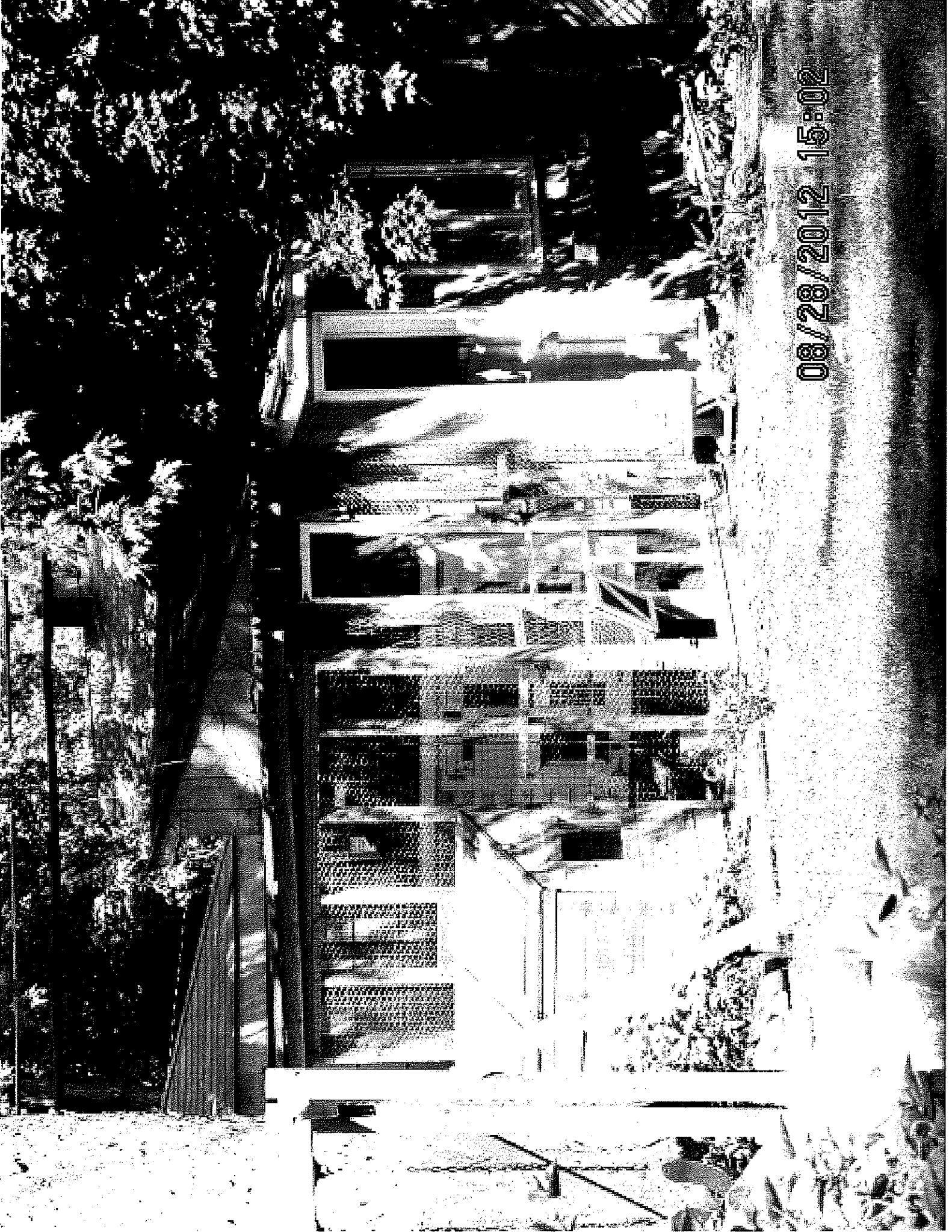
Issue Type

Complainant: ANONYMOUS Visit Type: INITIAL CONTACT Action Taken: WARNING Due by: 11/30/2012

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessory Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Mold |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animals/Rodents/Insects | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condemnation/Unsafe | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Demolition Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Burning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing/Water Supply/Sewage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deck/Balcony/Porch | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driveways/Sidewalks (Private) | <input type="checkbox"/> Property Identification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dumpster/Storage Container | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical/Mechanical | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaining Wall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elevator | <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish/Garbage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graffiti | <input type="checkbox"/> Sign/Awning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grass/Weeds | <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke/CO Detectors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gutters/Downspouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Stairs/Handrails/Guards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heat/Ventilation | <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Components |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hoarding/Clutter | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump/Drainage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home Occupation | <input type="checkbox"/> Stop Work Order/No Permit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ingress/Egress | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree/Shrub/Vegetation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsanitary Conditions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leaves/Snow (Street) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Feeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors |

Comments

Complaint received about chickens being kept on the property; notice of violation mailed to subject property. I had previously been made aware of this by CD staff and have a photo of the coop from two months prior.



08/28/2012 15:02



#A068

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

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October 31, 2012

John M. Lolli & LeAnn L Hemmerling-Lolli
4117 Highland Avenue
Downers Grove, IL 60515

COMMUNITY RESPONSE
CENTER
630.434.CALL (2255)

Re: Property Maintenance Violation/chickens
Property Index Number: 09-05-105-017

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Lolli:

CIVIC CENTER
801 Burlington Avenue
Downers Grove
Illinois 60515-4782
630.434.5500
TDD 630.434.5511
FAX 630.434.5571

A recent inspection of the property at 4117 Highland Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois, revealed the following violation(s) of the code of ordinances of the Village of Downers Grove:

Housing chickens on the property in violation of section 5.21 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code. The following violation was noted: **A coop or similar structure used for housing fowl must be located no less than 50 feet from any property line. The property at 4117 Highland Avenue is not large enough to allow placement of such structure, therefore the chickens and structure must be removed.**

FIRE DEPARTMENT
ADMINISTRATION
5420 Main Street
Downers Grove
Illinois 60515-4834
630.434.5980
FAX 630.434.5998

You are hereby ordered to abate the violation prior to November 30, 2012. Failure to comply will result in the issuance of a citation each day the violation continues to exist after November 30, 2012.

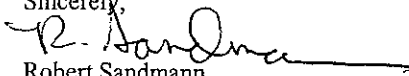
You have a right to appeal this notice and order by filing a written application for appeal with the Board of Appeals for the Village of Downers Grove. The application for appeal must be filed within twenty (20) days after the day this notice is served upon you. The appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of the code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of the code do not fully apply, or the requirements of the code are adequately satisfied by other means.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
825 Burlington Avenue
Downers Grove
Illinois 60515-4783
630.434.5600
FAX 630.434.5690

If you fail to correct the violation, any action taken by the Village of Downers Grove, the authority having jurisdiction, may be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be a lien upon such real estate.

Please contact me at 630-434-5590 to acknowledge receipt of this notice and to ask any questions you may have.

PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT
5101 Walnut Avenue
Downers Grove
Illinois 60515-4046
630.434.5460
FAX 630.434.5495

Sincerely,

Robert Sandmann
Code Enforcement Officer

#4238

Inspection Date/Time: / Current Status:
11/12/2012 03:43:00 PM OPEN

Street Number / Street Name / Unit:

5709 HILLCREST RD

Occupant/Tenant (business name if applicable):

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:

DAMIR

Contact:

Contact Type: Telephone #:

VILLAGE STAFF

EMAIL

Issue Type

Complainant:

Visit Type:

Action Taken:

Due by:

ANONYMOUS

INITIAL CONTACT

SEE COMMENTS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessory Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Mold |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animals/Rodents/Insects | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condemnation/Unsafe | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Demolition Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Burning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing/Water Supply/Sewage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deck/Balcony/Porch | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driveways/Sidewalks (Private) | <input type="checkbox"/> Property Identification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dumpster/Storage Container | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical/Mechanical | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaining Wall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elevator | <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Rubbish/Garbage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graffiti | <input type="checkbox"/> Sign/Awning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grass/Weeds | <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke/CO Detectors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gutters/Downspouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Stairs/Handrails/Guards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heat/Ventilation | <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Components |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hoarding/Clutter | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump/Drainage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home Occupation | <input type="checkbox"/> Stop Work Order/No Permit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ingress/Egress | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree/Shrub/Vegetation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsanitary Conditions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leaves/Snow (Street) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Feeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors |

Comments

He sent me an email about a bc call he had advising of chickens at this residence. He also advised the lot is only 55 feet wide.





Property Maintenance Follow-up [CASE # 4238]

General Information

Case Number
4238

Follow-up Date/Time:
11/14/2012 10:23:00 AM

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:

Contact: Contact Type:

Issue Type

Visit Type: Action Taken: Due by:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessory Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Mold |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animals/Rodents/Insects | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condemnation/Unsafe | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Demolition Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Burning |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Leaves/Snow (Street) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Feeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors |

Comments

I could not see anything on the property due to bushes and fences in the area. No one appeared to be home. I will send them a letter.





Property Maintenance Follow-up [CASE # 4238]

General Information

Case Number: 4238

Follow-up Date/Time: 11/20/2012 02:05:00 PM

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name: STEVE & DAWN KONTERS

Contact: OWNER Contact Type: LETTER

Issue Type

Visit Type: INITIAL CONTACT Action Taken: WARNING Due by: 11/30/2012

- Accessory Structure
Animals/Rodents/Insects
Building Security
Condemnation/Unsafe
Construction/Demolition Site
Contractor Equipment
Deck/Balcony/Porch
Driveways/Sidewalks (Private)
Dumpster/Storage Container
Electrical/Mechanical
Elevator
Exterior Surfaces
Fence
Graffiti
Grass/Weeds
Gutters/Downspouts
Heat/Ventilation
Hoarding/Clutter
Home Occupation
Ingress/Egress
Interior Surfaces
Leaves/Snow (Street)
Lighting
Mold
Motor Vehicles
Noise
Occupancy
Open Burning
Plumbing/Water Supply/Sewage
Pool
Property Identification
Recreational Equipment
Retaining Wall
Right-of-Way
Roof
Rubbish/Garbage
Sign/Awning
Smoke/CO Detectors
Stairs/Handrails/Guards
Structural Components
Sump Pump/Drainage
Stop Work Order/No Permit
Tree/Shrub/Vegetation
Unsanitary Conditions
Wildlife Feeding
Windows/Doors

Comments

A letter was completed and sent about the restrictions and asking them to contact me to discuss removal.





Property Maintenance Follow-up [CASE # 4238]

General Information

Case Number
4238

Follow-up Date/Time:
11/26/2012 11:06:00 AM

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:

STEVE KONTERS

Contact:

OWNER

Contact Type:

PHONE

Issue Type

Visit Type:

FOLLOW-UP CONTACT

Action Taken:

SEE COMMENTS

Due by:

11/30/2012

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condemnation/Unsafe | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing/Water Supply/Sewage |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hoarding/Clutter | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump/Drainage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home Occupation | <input type="checkbox"/> Stop Work Order/No Permit |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Surfaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsanitary Conditions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leaves/Snow (Street) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Feeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors |

Comments

He called and left a V.M. to be called back about my letter about chickens at his house.





Property Maintenance Follow-up [CASE # 4238]

General Information

Case Number
4238

Follow-up Date/Time:
11/28/2012 02:20:00 PM

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:

STEVE KONTERS

Contact:

Contact Type:

OWNER

PHONE

Issue Type

Visit Type:

Action Taken:

Due by:

FOLLOW-UP CONTACT

SEE COMMENTS

11/30/2012

- Accessory Structure
- Animals/Rodents/Insects
- Building Security
- Condemnation/Unsafe
- Construction/Demolition Site
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Comments

I talked to him about the situation. He does have chickens and was interested in knowing how to go about getting the ordinance changed. We discussed the ordinance further and he brought up his ideas as to why it should be changed. I then advised him how to contact the council and how to start that process. I also advised him I was aware of another case in DG and that those people had contacted the council. I told him while that was going on he did need to consider how he would get the chickens removed. I also told him I would check with my partner as to the amount of time he was giving for compliance.



Property Maintenance Follow-up [CASE # 4238]

General Information

Case Number
4238

Follow-up Date/Time:
11/30/2012 04:20:00 PM

Contact Information

Contact First Name / Last Name:

STEVE KONTERS

Contact:

Contact Type:

OWNER

PHONE

Issue Type

Visit Type:

Action Taken:

Due by:

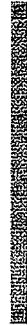
FOLLOW-UP CONTACT

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Comments

I called and left him a V.M. advising him the chicken issue was going to be discussed at the council meeting on 12/04/12.
Compliance date discussion on hold until outcome of council meeting is known.





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November 20, 2012

**COMMUNITY RESPONSE
CENTER**

630.434.CALL (2255)

CIVIC CENTER

801 Burlington Avenue

Downers Grove

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATION

5420 Main Street

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

825 Burlington Avenue

Downers Grove

Illinois 60515-4783

630.434.5600

FAX 630.434.5690

PUBLIC WORKS

DEPARTMENT

5101 Walnut Avenue

Downers Grove

Illinois 60515-4046

630.434.5460

FAX 630.434.5495

Steve and Dawn Konters
5709 Hillcrest Road
Downers Grove, IL 60516

Re: 5709 Hillcrest Road
P.I.N. # 0918207022

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Konters,

I have received information that you have chickens on your property. While chickens are legal to have the restrictions on where they can be housed makes it very difficult to do this legally. The coop or structure where they live must be at least fifty (50) from every property line. While most meet this restriction front to back on a lot, it is rare it can be met from side to side. This would be the case with your property.

The section in question is Section 5.21 Fowl Structure – Location Restricted of the Downers Grove Village Code.

Please contact me at the number below by **Friday November 30, 2012** to discuss a timeline for resolving this issue. If I have not heard from you by then a court citation could be issued.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Dean Kalmar
Code Enforcement Officer
Village of Downers Grove
630-434-5589