

Note: City of Richland Resolution No. 100-20 temporarily designates virtual locations for all municipal meetings. This meeting will be held remotely via Zoom. Members of the public may attend this meeting remotely by selecting the Zoom link or by calling the phone numbers provided.



Agenda
Code Enforcement Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2021
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Public Telephone Access: (206) 337-9723 or (253) 215-8782
Meeting ID No. 949 6654 2362

Board Members: Chair Levy, Vice Chair White, and Board Members Bialy, Edmondson, and Faylor

Liaisons: Council Liaison Boring
Staff Liaisons Sergeant Swanson and Chief Bruce

Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

Call to Order/Attendance:

Approval of Agenda: (Approved by Motion)

Approval of Minutes: (Approved by Motion)

Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths:

1. **Case #20210051 James R Garrett**
Location of Violation: 411 Adams St, Richland WA 99352
Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(G) Household Items; RMC 10.04.030(C) Trash
Mailing Address: Same
Notice of Civil Violation: May 9, 2021
-Jamie Williams
2. **Case #20210062 Johnathan & Linda Clark**
Location of Violation: 926 Thayer Dr, Richland WA 99352
Description of Violation: RMC 23.38.070 Fence Height and Location
Mailing Address: 461 S 58th Ave, West Richland WA 99353
Notice of Civil Violation: May 19, 2021
-Lindsey Linhoff
3. **Case #20210435 Heidi A LeRoue**
Location of Violation: 1204 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354
Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds
Mailing Address: Same
Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 4, 2021
-Lindsey Linhoff
4. **Case #20201072 Peter H Tran**
Location of Violation: 2095 Keene Rd, Richland WA 99352
Description of Violation: RMC 21.010.020(D) 105.2 (R105.2) Work Exempt from a Permit
Mailing Address: 2001 Patterson Rd, Prosser WA 99350
Notice of Civil Violation: April 30, 2021
-Lindsey Linhoff

5. Case #20210485 Kristina M Diefenbach

Location of Violation: 1205 Acacia Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(G) Household Items

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 10, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

6. Case #20210487 Gregory C Parker

Location of Violation: 1210 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds

Mailing Address: 1211 Sunset St, Richland WA 99354

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 13, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

7. Case #20210523 James & Jana Thompson

Location of Violation: 1302 Brentwood Ave, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(F) 2+ Yards Debris; RMC 10.04.040(G) Vehicle Parts

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 25, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

8. Case #20200728 Michael Davidson

Location of Violation: 2525 N Columbia Center Blvd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 21.01.010(A) - 2015 IBC Section 105.1 Permits Required

Mailing Address: 1310 N 5th Ave, Pasco WA 99301

Notice of Civil Violation: May 20, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

9. Case #20210440 Jeffrey & Carmen Whattam

Location of Violation: 2735 Leslie Rd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds

Mailing Address: 3090 Harrodsburg Rd, Lexington KY 40503

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 18, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

Execution of Orders:

Continued Cases/Old Business:

New Business/Liaison Comments:

Adjournment

The next Code Enforcement Board Meeting is July 13, 2021

Richland City Hall is ADA accessible. Requests for sign interpreters, audio equipment, and/or other special services must be received 48 hours prior to the meeting by calling the City Clerk's Office at 942-7389.



CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210051 James R Garrett

Location of Violation: 411 Adams St, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(G) Household Items; RMC 10.04.030(C) Trash

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Civil Violation: May 9, 2021

-Jamie Williams

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 411 Adams Packet



Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

NOTICE OF CIVIL VIOLATION

May 9, 2021

James R Garrett
411 Adams St
Richland, WA 99352

Case Number: 20210051

An inspection on May 4, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

411 Adams St, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040(G) household items and vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, etc: Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety; permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building or structure, any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side, or rear yard of the property maintained by a "responsible person" and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street, or road unless obscured behind a sight-obscuring fence in a manner where it is not visible from public or private property at ground level.

RMC 10.04.030(C) Public nuisance affecting health -- accumulation of garbage, decaying vegetation, manure, etc: Accumulation of garbage, decaying vegetation, manure, dead animals, or other noxious things in a street or alley, or on public or private property to an extent injurious to the public health, safety, welfare or comfort of others.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Remove all garbage, trash in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

Properly store ALL Household Items including the carpets, mattress, totes, and ice chests in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

You received notice dated April 6, 2021 requesting voluntary correction of the code violation(s). A copy of that notice is attached. To date, you have failed to comply with the Richland Municipal Code, which resulted in the issuance of this notice of civil violation.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in ~~City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA~~ on the following date and time: ** via Zoom, instructions included.*

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

via ZOOM

Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter

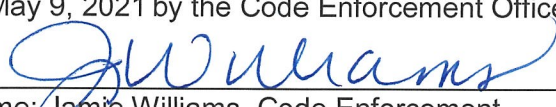
Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on May 9, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 

Printed Name: Jamie Williams, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7577

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

Fraudulent use or misuse of this form may result in criminal charges for Criminal Impersonation in the First Degree under RCW 9A.60.040. Criminal Impersonation in the first degree is a Class C Felony.



FINAL Correction Notice

Date: 4/6/2021

Location: 411 Adams St, Richland WA 99352

Report #: 20210051

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code and you must take immediate action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of the Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.030(C) Public nuisance affecting health -- accumulation of garbage, decaying vegetation, manure, etc: Accumulation of garbage, decaying vegetation, manure, dead animals, or other noxious things in a street or alley, or on public or private property to an extent injurious to the public health, safety, welfare or comfort of others.

RMC 10.04.040(G) household items and vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, etc: Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety; permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building or structure, any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side, or rear yard of the property maintained by a "responsible person" and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street, or road unless obscured behind a sight-obscuring fence in a manner where it is not visible from public or private property at ground level.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Please remove all garbage, trash in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

Please properly store ALL Household Items including the carpets, mattress, totes, and ice chest in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective actions(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by 4/30/2021 no later than 8:00 am.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice may result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board and monetary penalties may be assessed.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in this Correction Notice. If you have questions about the enforcement process, or if you need additional information or resources, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified in this notice.

Issued on 4/6/2021 by Officer Jamie Williams
Phone Number: 509-942-7577

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****Please call me at #509-713-9071 if you plan to attend or not via ZOOM and if you have problems logging in to the meeting**

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Meeting URL: <https://cityofrichlandwa.zoom.us/j/94966542362>

Meeting ID: 949 6654 2362

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Meeting ID: 949 6654 2362



CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210062 Johnathan & Linda Clark

Location of Violation: 926 Thayer Dr, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 23.38.070 Fence Height and Location

Mailing Address: 461 S 58th Ave, West Richland WA 99353

Notice of Civil Violation: May 19, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 926 Thayer Packet



Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

NOTICE OF CIVIL VIOLATION

May 19, 2021

Johnathan & Linda Clark
461 S 58th Ave
West Richland, WA 99353

Case Number: 20210062

An inspection on May 19, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

926 Thayer Dr, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 23.38.070 (F) Fences are permitted as follows: For corner lots and lots with triple-street frontages, solid fencing on the flanking street over three feet in height and open fencing over four feet in height must be set back five feet from the property line or 10 feet from the back of the sidewalk if existing, whichever is greater.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Reduce the height of the first 10 feet of fencing (as measured beginning at the sidewalk) along the southeastern property line in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

You received notice dated March 30, 2021 requesting voluntary correction of the code violation(s). A copy of that notice is attached. To date, you have failed to comply with the Richland Municipal Code, which resulted in the issuance of this notice of civil violation.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in ~~City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA~~ on the following date and time: *Zoom- see attachment*

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

******Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter******

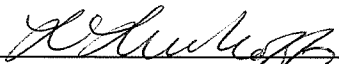
Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on May 19, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 
Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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Correction Notice

Date: 3/30/2021

Location: 926 Thayer Dr, Richland WA 99352

Report #: 20210062

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code and you must take immediate action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of the Violation(s):

RMC 23.38.070 (F) Fences are permitted as follows: For corner lots and lots with triple-street frontages, solid fencing on the flanking street over three feet in height and open fencing over four feet in height must be set back five feet from the property line or 10 feet from the back of the sidewalk if existing, whichever is greater.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Please reduce the height of the first 10 feet of fencing (as measured beginning at the sidewalk) along the southeastern property line in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code. Contact Development Services at 509-942-7771 with questions.

The corrective actions(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by 4/13/2021 no later than 8:00 am.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice may result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board and monetary penalties may be assessed. In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City to significantly extend your compliance date. Contact Code Enforcement to learn more about this option.

If you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, you may request an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's accusation of a violation(s). Monetary penalties may be assessed if the violation(s) is affirmed.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in this Correction Notice. If you have questions about the enforcement process, or if you need additional information or resources, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified in this notice.

Issued on 3/30/2021 by Officer Lindsey Linhoff

Phone Number: 509-942-7740

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Please contact code enforcement if you need assistance with the Zoom meeting at 509-713-9027

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Meeting URL: <https://cityofrichlandwa.zoom.us/j/95148930292>

Meeting ID: 951 4893 0292

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267 831 0333 or +1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 951 4893 0292

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210435 Heidi A LeRoue

Location of Violation: 1204 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 4, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 1204 Sanford Packet



Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

NOTICE OF REPEAT CIVIL VIOLATION

May 4, 2021

Heidi A LeRoue
367 E Newport Ave
Hermiston, OR 97838

Case Number: 20210435

An inspection on May 4, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

1204 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040 (P) Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety: all grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing, or which has grown and died, shall not exceed 6 inches in height.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Cut and maintain the grass and weeds throughout the property in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

This violation is a repeat violation. A repeat violation is a violation of the same regulation (in any location by the same person) within the past two (2) years for which voluntary compliance previously has been sought. City records indicate that you are responsible for the same violations occurring in the City of Richland as follows:

Case #20200567; 1204 Sanford Ave Richland WA 99354; 8/4/2020; RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds which exceed 6 inches in height.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA on the following date and time: *VIA ZOOM*

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter

Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing. Repeat violations result in a doubled daily monetary amount. A penalty up to \$500 per violation per day may be imposed.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on this May 4, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

CORRECTION NOTICE

August 4, 2020

Location: 1204 Sanford Ave, Richland, WA 99352

Report: 20200567

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040(P) – All grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing or which has grown and died, determined to be a fire or safety hazard or a nuisance to persons, shall not exceed six inches in height measured above the ground.

Required Corrective Action(s):

**** SECOND NOTICE ****

Mow the entire property so grasses and weeds do not exceed six inches in height in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by August 19, 2020 no later than 5:00 p.m.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice will result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the Code Enforcement Board will hear the evidence presented and determine whether one or more violations has occurred.

If you are found by the Code Enforcement Board to have committed the violation(s) cited, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

To avoid receiving a Notice of Civil Violation, please take the corrective action identified in this Correction Notice by the date specified. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer listed below.

Issued on August 4, 2020 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____
Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Process Letter

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Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

Process Letter

To Whom it May Concern:

The City has become aware of possible violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code occurring on property owned or controlled by you. We hope to work with you to correct the violation(s), and we will take reasonable steps to allow for voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in the Correction Notice.

With the exception of barking dog complaints, which are handled in Benton County District Court, the following process is followed for civil code violations in the City of Richland:

1. Initial Inspection: An initial on-site inspection is performed by the City when a complaint is received or when a violation is observed by Code Enforcement. No further action is taken by the City if there is no evidence from the on-site inspection indicating a violation has occurred.
2. Correction Notice Issued: The City will issue a Correction Notice if the initial on-site inspection revealed evidence that a violation has occurred. The notice will describe the violation(s) and the specific corrective action required to achieve compliance. The City will make available a community resources guide listing community organizations that may be available to assist.
3. Follow-Up Inspection: On the date following the deadline for compliance provided in the Correction Notice, the City will perform a follow-up on-site inspection to determine whether voluntary compliance has been met.
 - a. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has been met, the case will be closed and no further action will be required.
 - b. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has not been met, the City will issue a Notice of Civil Violation for the violation(s) and schedule a hearing before the Code Enforcement Board.
4. Notice of Civil Violation Issued: A Notice of Civil Violation is issued when voluntary compliance is not met by the deadline provided in the Correction Notice. The Notice of Civil Violation contains a hearing date before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, who will hear the evidence and determine whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's Notice of Civil Violation. If you receive a Notice of Civil Violation, you are required to appear before the Code Enforcement Board. Failure to appear will result in entry of a default order affirming the violation(s).
 - a. A minimum penalty of \$50,000 shall be assessed for each Notice of Civil Violation that is affirmed by the Code Enforcement Board, regardless of whether compliance has been met. The maximum penalty the Code Enforcement Board may impose is \$500 per day per violation up to \$5,000 for all violations.
 - b. Note: In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter into a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City. A Voluntary Correction Agreement is a binding contract between you and City whereby you agree

to correct the violation(s) within a specified timeframe (usually an extended timeframe) in exchange for granting consent to the City to abate the violation(s) and agreeing to a specific monetary penalty if you fail to correct the violation(s) yourself. Voluntary Correction Agreements will not be used for violations involving dangerous or hazardous conditions, or for repeat violations. Contact the Code Enforcement Officer responsible for your case to learn more about Voluntary Correction Agreements.

5. Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If your case advances to a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, you will be afforded an opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine the City's witnesses. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will determine whether the City has proven, by a preponderance of the evidence, that one or more violations of the Richland Municipal Code has occurred.
 - a. If the Board finds that one or more violations exist, monetary penalties will be imposed and corrective action will be ordered.
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6. Assessment of Penalties. If the Board affirms the violation(s) and imposes monetary penalties, or if the terms of the Voluntary Correction Agreement are not met, the City will issue an invoice for payment. Failure to pay the penalties assessed may cause the City to pursue a number of collection actions, including but not limited to recording property liens, assigning the debt to a collection agency, or other legal action. Reimbursement for administrative costs may also be sought.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. If you have questions about the code enforcement process, or if you need additional information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified on your Correction Notice.



CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20201072 Peter H Tran

Location of Violation: 2095 Keene Rd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 21.010.020(D) 105.2 (R105.2) Work Exempt from a Permit

Mailing Address: 2001 Patterson Rd, Prosser WA 99350

Notice of Civil Violation: April 30, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 2095 Keene Packet



Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

NOTICE OF CIVIL VIOLATION

April 30, 2021

Peter H Tran
2001 Patterson Rd
Prosser, WA 99350

Case Number: 20201072

An inspection on April 30, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

2095 Keene Rd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 21.01.020 (D) 105.2 (R105.2) Work Exempt from Permit: One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet (IRC) and 120 square feet (IBC), are exempted from the requirements for a building permit. A permit for location placement of such exempt structures shall be issued by the City of Richland prior to construction or erection of these structures. The location placement permit shall be based upon a scalable site plan provided by the applicant and shall show all existing structures on the property together with the distances from all structures to property lines and to other structures, all existing easements and property lines, and all new structure or building proposals. The location placement permit shall be binding upon the applicant for location placement of the structure for all purposes and requirements of Title 23 of the Richland Municipal Code. The location placement permit shall not require payment of any permit fees. Fees associated with any other aspect of the structure or building proposal including, but not limited to, easement encroachment permits and right-of-way construction permits, shall be as currently enacted in the Richland Municipal Code.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Obtain a permit for the construction of the accessory dwelling units being constructed on the property in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

You received notice dated March 30, 2021 requesting voluntary correction of the code violation(s). A copy of that notice is attached. To date, you have failed to comply with the Richland Municipal Code, which resulted in the issuance of this notice of civil violation.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in **City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA** on the following date and time:

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

****Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter****

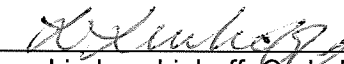
Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on April 30, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 
Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

Fraudulent use or misuse of this form may result in criminal charges for Criminal Impersonation in the First Degree under RCW 9A.60.040. Criminal Impersonation in the first degree is a Class C Felony.



Correction Notice

Date: 3/30/2021

Location: 2095 Keene Rd, Richland WA 99352

Report #: 20201072

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code and you must take immediate action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of the Violation(s):

RMC 21.01.020 (D) 105.2 (R105.2) Work Exempt from Permit.

1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet, are exempted from the requirements for a building permit. A permit for location placement of such exempt structures shall be issued by the City of Richland prior to construction or erection of these structures. The location placement permit shall be based upon a scalable site plan provided by the applicant and shall show all existing structures on the property together with the distances from all structures to property lines and to other structures, all existing easements and property lines, and all new structure or building proposals. The location placement permit shall be binding upon the applicant for location placement of the structure for all purposes and requirements of Title [23](#) of the Richland Municipal Code. The location placement permit shall not require payment of any permit fees. Fees associated with any other aspect of the structure or building proposal including, but not limited to, easement encroachment permits and right-of-way construction permits, shall be as currently enacted in the Richland Municipal Code

Required Corrective Action(s):

Contact City of Richland Development Services at 509-942-7615 to obtain a permit for the construction of the accessory dwelling units in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

Contact Development Services by the date listed below to discuss a reasonable time frame for compliance.

The corrective actions(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by 4/13/2021 no later than 8:00 am.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice may result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board and monetary penalties may be assessed. In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City to significantly extend your compliance date. Contact Code Enforcement to learn more about this option.

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If you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, you may request an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's accusation of a violation(s). Monetary penalties may be assessed if the violation(s) is affirmed.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in this Correction Notice. If you have questions about the enforcement process, or if you need additional information or resources, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified in this notice.

Issued on 3/30/2021 by Officer Lindsey Linhoff
Phone Number: 509-942-7740



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March 30, 2021

Peter H Tran
2001 Patterson Rd
Prosser, WA 99350

RE: Violations of the Richland Municipal Code

Mr. Tran,

Code Enforcement has been trying to reach you regarding property you own at 2095 and 2103 Keene Road in Richland, WA. As you are aware, there are several nuisance code infractions to address on both properties and correction notices have been sent to you (a copy of the most recent notice is attached).

The City of Richland's Development Services Department has contacted me regarding unpermitted accessory dwelling units being constructed on the property. The original permit issued for these units was for the approval of accessory structures, or storage sheds, to be built but does not allow the units to be used as a dwelling.

I am including a new correction notice with this letter requesting you to contact Development Services to address the permitting issues on the property. Please also continue to correct the nuisance violations we have previously discussed.

The phone number I have listed in my records seems to be no longer valid as I have been attempting to reach you without success. Please contact me directly once you receive this letter at the number listed below.

Thank you,

Lindsey Linhoff
Code Enforcement Officer
City of Richland Police Department
Phone: (509) 942-7740
Email: lblanchard@ci.richland.wa.us



Please contact code enforcement if you need assistance with the Zoom meeting at 509-713-9027

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210485 Kristina M Diefenbach

Location of Violation: 1205 Acacia Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(G) Household Items

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 10, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 1205 Acacia Packet



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NOTICE OF REPEAT CIVIL VIOLATION

May 10, 2021

Kristina M Diefenbach
1205 Acacia Avenue
Richland, WA 99354

Case Number: 20210485

An inspection on May 10, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

1205 Acacia Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040 (G) Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety; permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building or structure, any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side, or rear yard of the property maintained by a "responsible person" and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street, or road unless obscured behind a sight-obscuring fence in a manner where it is not visible from public or private property at ground level.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Store household items and vehicle parts indoors or out of view of the public in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

This violation is a repeat violation. A repeat violation is a violation of the same regulation (in any location by the same person) within the past two (2) years for which voluntary compliance previously has been sought. City records indicate that you are responsible for the same violations occurring in the City of Richland as follows:

Case #20200937; 8/12/20; RMC 10.04.040 (G); 1205 Acacia Ave Richland WA 99354

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA on the following date and time: *Zoom - See attachment*

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter

Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing. Repeat violations result in a doubled daily monetary amount. A penalty up to \$500 per violation per day may be imposed.

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Issued on this May 10, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 
Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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CORRECTION NOTICE

August 12, 2020

Location: 1205 Acacia Ave, Richland, WA 99354

Report: 20200937

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040(F) – Erecting, maintaining, using, placing, depositing, leaving, or permitting to be or remain in or upon any private lot, building, structure, or premises, or in or upon any street, alley, sidewalk, park, parkway, or other public or private place in the city, the total of which material would exceed two cubic yards in volume.

RMC 10.04.040(G) – The permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building, or other structure any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side or rear yard of the property which may be maintained by a “responsible person” as defined in RMC 10.04.010 and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street or road unless enclosed behind a 100 percent sight-obscuring fence and in a manner where it is not visible from public property or from private property when observer is standing at ground level.

Required Corrective Action(s):

- Remove the over 2 cubic yards on the driveway and along the north property line including unstacked wood, trash and debris and store or dispose of in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.
- Remove all household items and vehicle parts from the driveway including but not limited to furniture, appliances and vehicle batteries and store or dispose of in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by August 30, 2020 no later than 5:00 p.m.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice will result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the Code Enforcement Board will hear the evidence presented and determine whether one or more violations has occurred.

If you are found by the Code Enforcement Board to have committed the violation(s) cited, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

To avoid receiving a Notice of Civil Violation, please take the corrective action identified in this Correction Notice by the date specified. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer listed below.

Issued on August 12, 2020 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____
Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Process Letter

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Process Letter

To Whom it May Concern:

The City has become aware of possible violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code occurring on property owned or controlled by you. We hope to work with you to correct the violation(s), and we will take reasonable steps to allow for voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in the Correction Notice.

With the exception of barking dog complaints, which are handled in Benton County District Court, the following process is followed for civil code violations in the City of Richland:

1. Initial Inspection: An initial on-site inspection is performed by the City when a complaint is received or when a violation is observed by Code Enforcement. No further action is taken by the City if there is no evidence from the on-site inspection indicating a violation has occurred.
2. Correction Notice Issued: The City will issue a Correction Notice if the initial on-site inspection revealed evidence that a violation has occurred. The notice will describe the violation(s) and the specific corrective action required to achieve compliance. The City will make available a community resources guide listing community organizations that may be available to assist.
3. Follow-Up Inspection: On the date following the deadline for compliance provided in the Correction Notice, the City will perform a follow-up on-site inspection to determine whether voluntary compliance has been met.
 - a. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has been met, the case will be closed and no further action will be required.
 - b. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has not been met, the City will issue a Notice of Civil Violation for the violation(s) and schedule a hearing before the Code Enforcement Board.
4. Notice of Civil Violation Issued: A Notice of Civil Violation is issued when voluntary compliance is not met by the deadline provided in the Correction Notice. The Notice of Civil Violation contains a hearing date before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, who will hear the evidence and determine whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's Notice of Civil Violation. If you receive a Notice of Civil Violation, you are required to appear before the Code Enforcement Board. Failure to appear will result in entry of a default order affirming the violation(s).
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to correct the violation(s) within a specified timeframe (usually an extended timeframe) in exchange for granting consent to the City to abate the violation(s) and agreeing to a specific monetary penalty if you fail to correct the violation(s) yourself. Voluntary Correction Agreements will not be used for violations involving dangerous or hazardous conditions, or for repeat violations. Contact the Code Enforcement Officer responsible for your case to learn more about Voluntary Correction Agreements.

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Please contact code enforcement if you need assistance with the Zoom meeting at 509-713-9027

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210487 Gregory C Parker

Location of Violation: 1210 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds

Mailing Address: 1211 Sunset St, Richland WA 99354

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 13, 2021

-Lindsey Linhoff

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 1210 Sanford Packet



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NOTICE OF REPEAT CIVIL VIOLATION

May 13, 2021

Gregory C Parker
1211 Sunset St
Richland, WA 99354

Case Number: 20210487

An inspection on May 12, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

1210 Sanford Ave, Richland WA 99354

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040 (P) Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety: all grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing, or which has grown and died, shall not exceed 6 inches in height

Required Corrective Action(s):

Cut and maintain the grass and weeds throughout the property in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

This violation is a repeat violation. A repeat violation is a violation of the same regulation (in any location by the same person) within the past two (2) years for which voluntary compliance previously has been sought. City records indicate that you are responsible for the same violations occurring in the City of Richland as follows:

Case #20200894; 8/12/20; RMC 10.04.040(P); 1210 Sanford Ave Richland WA 99354

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held in ~~City Council Chambers at Richland City Hall, 625 Swift Blvd., Richland, WA~~ on the following date and time: *zoom. See attachment*

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter

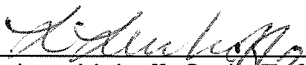
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Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on this May 13, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 
Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement
Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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CORRECTION NOTICE

August 12, 2020

Location: 1210 Sanford Ave, Richland, WA 99354

Report: 20200894

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040(O) – The keeping or permitting the existence of morning glory, tackweed, Russian thistle, or other noxious weed, growing or otherwise, which is a health or safety hazard to persons or property.

RMC 10.04.040(P) – All grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing or which has grown and died, determined to be a fire or safety hazard or a nuisance to persons, shall not exceed six inches in height measured above the ground.

RMC 12.16.010 – It shall also be the duty of every person or entity having charge or control of property in the city to maintain the planting strip or public right-of-way fronting or adjoining their property, including alleys. No person or entity having charge or control of any property in the city may allow a public sidewalk, planting strip, or public right-of-way fronting or adjoining their property to fall into disrepair or become weed-infested, dangerous, or noncompliant with city nuisance code.

Required Corrective Action(s):

- Remove all noxious weeds including tackweed and dispose of in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.
- Mow the entire property so grasses and weeds do not exceed 6 inches in height in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.
- Remove all vegetation from the sidewalk so the sidewalk is 100% clear from obstruction in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by August 27, 2020 no later than 5:00 p.m.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice will result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the Code Enforcement Board will hear the evidence presented and determine whether one or more violations has occurred.

If you are found by the Code Enforcement Board to have committed the violation(s) cited, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more

details.

To avoid receiving a Notice of Civil Violation, please take the corrective action identified in this Correction Notice by the date specified. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer listed below.

Issued on August 12, 2020 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Process Letter

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Process Letter

To Whom it May Concern:

The City has become aware of possible violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code occurring on property owned or controlled by you. We hope to work with you to correct the violation(s), and we will take reasonable steps to allow for voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in the Correction Notice.

With the exception of barking dog complaints, which are handled in Benton County District Court, the following process is followed for civil code violations in the City of Richland:

1. Initial Inspection: An initial on-site inspection is performed by the City when a complaint is received or when a violation is observed by Code Enforcement. No further action is taken by the City if there is no evidence from the on-site inspection indicating a violation has occurred.
2. Correction Notice Issued: The City will issue a Correction Notice if the initial on-site inspection revealed evidence that a violation has occurred. The notice will describe the violation(s) and the specific corrective action required to achieve compliance. The City will make available a community resources guide listing community organizations that may be available to assist.
3. Follow-Up Inspection: On the date following the deadline for compliance provided in the Correction Notice, the City will perform a follow-up on-site inspection to determine whether voluntary compliance has been met.
 - a. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has been met, the case will be closed and no further action will be required.
 - b. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has not been met, the City will issue a Notice of Civil Violation for the violation(s) and schedule a hearing before the Code Enforcement Board.
4. Notice of Civil Violation Issued: A Notice of Civil Violation is issued when voluntary compliance is not met by the deadline provided in the Correction Notice. The Notice of Civil Violation contains a hearing date before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, who will hear the evidence and determine whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's Notice of Civil Violation. If you receive a Notice of Civil Violation, you are required to appear before the Code Enforcement Board. Failure to appear will result in entry of a default order affirming the violation(s).
 - a. A minimum penalty of \$50,000 shall be assessed for each Notice of Civil Violation that is affirmed by the Code Enforcement Board, regardless of whether compliance has been met. The maximum penalty the Code Enforcement Board may impose is \$500 per day per violation up to \$5,000 for all violations.
 - b. Note: In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter into a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City. A Voluntary Correction Agreement is a binding contract between you and City whereby you agree

to correct the violation(s) within a specified timeframe (usually an extended timeframe) in exchange for granting consent to the City to abate the violation(s) and agreeing to a specific monetary penalty if you fail to correct the violation(s) yourself. Voluntary Correction Agreements will not be used for violations involving dangerous or hazardous conditions, or for repeat violations. Contact the Code Enforcement Officer responsible for your case to learn more about Voluntary Correction Agreements.

5. Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If your case advances to a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, you will be afforded an opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine the City's witnesses. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will determine whether the City has proven, by a preponderance of the evidence, that one or more violations of the Richland Municipal Code has occurred.
 - a. If the Board finds that one or more violations exist, monetary penalties will be imposed and corrective action will be ordered.
 - b. If the Board finds that insufficient evidence exists to affirm the violation(s), the case will be dismissed with no further action by you.
6. Assessment of Penalties. If the Board affirms the violation(s) and imposes monetary penalties, or if the terms of the Voluntary Correction Agreement are not met, the City will issue an invoice for payment. Failure to pay the penalties assessed may cause the City to pursue a number of collection actions, including but not limited to recording property liens, assigning the debt to a collection agency, or other legal action. Reimbursement for administrative costs may also be sought.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. If you have questions about the code enforcement process, or if you need additional information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified on your Correction Notice.



Please contact code enforcement if you need assistance with the Zoom meeting at 509-713-9027

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210523 James & Jana Thompson

Location of Violation: 1302 Brentwood Ave, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(F) 2+ Yards Debris; RMC 10.04.040(G) Vehicle Parts

Mailing Address: Same

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 25, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 1302 Brentwood Packet



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NOTICE OF REPEAT CIVIL VIOLATION

May 25, 2021

James & Jana Thompson
1302 Brentwood Ave
Richland, WA 99352

Case Number: 20210523

An inspection on May 25, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

1302 Brentwood Ave, Richland, WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.040.040(G) – The permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building, or other structure any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side or rear yard of the property which may be maintained by a “responsible person” as defined in RMC 10.04.010 and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street or road unless enclosed behind a 100 percent sight-obscuring fence and in a manner where it is not visible from public property or from private property when observer is standing at ground level.

RMC 10.04.040(F) – Erecting, maintaining, using, placing, depositing, leaving, or permitting to be or remain in or upon any private lot, building, structure, or premises, or in or upon any street, alley, sidewalk, park, parkway, or other public or private place in the city, the total of which material would exceed two cubic yards in volume.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Remove all household items, vehicle parts, trash and unusable items from the driveway including in the back of the orange pickup and store or dispose of in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

This violation is a repeat violation. A repeat violation is a violation of the same regulation (in any location by the same person) within the past two (2) years for which voluntary compliance previously has been sought. City records indicate that you are responsible for the same violations occurring in the City of Richland as follows:

Case# 20210058 opened 01-18-2021 for RMC 10.04.040(G) and RMC 10.04.040(F) at 1302 Brentwood Ave, Richland, WA 99352.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property.

Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held *by Zoom meeting* **WA** on the following date and time:

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

****Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter****

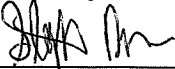
Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing. Repeat violations result in a doubled daily monetary amount. A penalty up to \$500 per violation per day may be imposed.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on this May 25, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 

Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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Correction Notice

Date: 2/2/2021

Location: 1302 Brentwood Ave, Richland WA 99352

Report #: 20210058

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code and you must take immediate action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of the Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040(C) – All limbs of trees which are less than eight feet above the surface of any public sidewalk, or 14 feet above the surface of any street

RMC 10.04.040(G) – The permitting to remain outside any dwelling, building, or other structure any vehicle parts, ice chest, refrigerator, furniture, household appliances or other similar items, in any front, side or rear yard of the property which may be maintained by a “responsible person” as defined in RMC 10.04.010 and which items can be seen from a public sidewalk, street or road unless enclosed behind a 100 percent sight-obscuring fence and in a manner where it is not visible from public property or from private property when observer is standing at ground level.

RMC 10.04.040(F) – Erecting, maintaining, using, placing, depositing, leaving, or permitting to be or remain in or upon any private lot, building, structure, or premises, or in or upon any street, alley, sidewalk, park, parkway, or other public or private place in the city, the total of which material would exceed two cubic yards in volume.

Required Corrective Action(s):

- **Trim the trees along Brentwood Ave, Englewood Dr and Adair Dr so the limbs are no less than 8 feet over the sidewalk and 14 feet over the roadway in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.**
- **Remove all vehicle parts and household items from the front yard and driveway and store in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.**
- **Remove the over 2 cubic yards of debris from the back yard including unstacked wood and spare building materials and store or dispose of in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.**

Contact the Code Officer below if more time is needed to meet compliance

The corrective actions(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by 2/23/2021 no later than 8:00 am.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice may result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board and monetary penalties may be assessed. In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City to

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significantly extend your compliance date. Contact Code Enforcement to learn more about this option.

If you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, you may request an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's accusation of a violation(s). Monetary penalties may be assessed if the violation(s) is affirmed.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in this Correction Notice. If you have questions about the enforcement process, or if you need additional information or resources, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified in this notice.

Issued on 2/2/2021 by Officer Stephanie Dorko
Phone Number: 509-942-7644

Please call me at 509-713-9047 if you have problems logging in to the meeting

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20200728 Michael Davidson

Location of Violation: 2525 N Columbia Center Blvd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 21.01.010(A) - 2015 IBC Section 105.1 Permits Required

Mailing Address: 1310 N 5th Ave, Pasco WA 99301

Notice of Civil Violation: May 20, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 2525 N CCB Packet



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NOTICE OF CIVIL VIOLATION

May 20, 2021

Michael Davidson
1310 N 5th Ave
Pasco, WA 99301

Case Number: 20200728

An inspection on May 20, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):

2525 N Columbia Center Blvd, Richland, WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 21.01.010(A) – 2015 IBC Section 105.1 [Permits] Required – Any owner or owner's authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be performed, shall first make application to the building official to obtain the required permit.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Remove all unpermitted construction on and around the property or contact City of Richland Development Services at (509) 942-7794 and obtain all necessary building and zoning permits in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

You received notice dated December 29, 2020 requesting voluntary correction of the code violation(s). A copy of that notice is attached. To date, you have failed to comply with the Richland Municipal Code, which resulted in the issuance of this notice of civil violation.

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held *by Zoom Meeting, See attachment* on the following date and time:

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

****Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter****

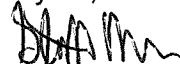
Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing.

Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on May 20, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: 

Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

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Correction Notice

Date: 12/29/2020

Location: 2525 N Columbia Center Blvd, Richland WA 99352

Report #: 20200728

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code and you must take immediate action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of the Violation(s):

RMC 21.01.010(A) – 2015 IBC Section 105.1 [Permits] Required – Any owner or owner's authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be performed, shall first make application to the building official to obtain the required permit.

Required Corrective Action(s):

**** FINAL NOTICE ** Remove all unpermitted construction on and around the property or contact City of Richland Development Services at (509) 942-7794 and obtain all necessary building and zoning permits for the enclosed seating areas in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.**

If compliance is not met by the below date, the case will be referred to the Code Enforcement Board for non-compliance.

The corrective actions(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by 1/25/2021 no later than 8:00 am.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice may result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board and monetary penalties may be assessed. In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City to significantly extend your compliance date. Contact Code Enforcement to learn more about this option.

If you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, you may request an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's accusation of a violation(s). Monetary penalties may be assessed if the violation(s) is affirmed.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in this Correction Notice. If you have

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questions about the enforcement process, or if you need additional information or resources, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified in this notice.

Issued on 12/29/2020 by Officer Stephanie Dorko
Phone Number: 509-942-7644

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CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

Agenda Category: Compliance Hearings/Administration of Oaths

Prepared By:

Subject:

Case #20210440 Jeffrey & Carmen Whattam

Location of Violation: 2735 Leslie Rd, Richland WA 99352

Description of Violation: RMC 10.04.040(P) Grass and Weeds

Mailing Address: 3090 Harrodsburg Rd, Lexington KY 40503

Notice of Repeat Civil Violation: May 18, 2021

-Stephanie Dorko

Department:

Police

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Attachments:

1. 2735 Leslie Packet



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NOTICE OF REPEAT CIVIL VIOLATION

May 18, 2021

Jeffrey & Carmen Whattam
3090 Harrodsburg Rd
Lexington, KY 40503

Case Number: 20210440

An inspection on May 18, 2021 revealed violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) on property you own or control. You have received this notice because your property is out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Location of Violation(s):
2735 Leslie Rd, Richland, WA 99352

Description of Violation(s):
RMC 10.04.040(P) – All grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing or which has grown and died, determined to be a fire or safety hazard or a nuisance to persons, shall not exceed six inches in height measured above the ground.

Required Corrective Action(s):
Mow the entire property so grasses and weeds do not exceed 6 inches in height in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this notice must be completed by June 6, 2021 no later than 5:00 p.m.

This violation is a repeat violation. A repeat violation is a violation of the same regulation (in any location by the same person) within the past two (2) years for which voluntary compliance previously has been sought. City records indicate that you are responsible for the same violations occurring in the City of Richland as follows:

Case# 20200383 opened 05-04-2020 for RMC 10.04.040(P) at 2735 Leslie Rd
Case# 20190789 opened 06-03-2019 for RMC 10.04.040(P) at 2735 Leslie Rd

You are directed to take the action described above to correct the violation(s) on the property. Failure to correct the violation(s) by the deadline in this notice may result in City abatement per RMC 10.02.070.

HEARING NOTICE: Per RMC 10.02.060, an appeal hearing is automatically scheduled for you to appear before the Richland Code Enforcement Board on this matter. The hearing regarding your code violation(s) will be held *by Zoom Meeting, See attachment* on the following date and time:

Date: June 8, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

****Please make the necessary arrangements if you need a language interpreter****

Compliance BEFORE the Hearing: If you come into compliance by correcting the violation(s) prior to the hearing, as inspected and verified by a Richland Code Enforcement Officer, the City will inform the Board at the hearing that the property is in compliance. Per RMC 10.02.050(E), a minimum penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each offense requiring a notice of civil violation, regardless of whether compliance is met before the hearing. Repeat violations result in a doubled daily monetary amount. A penalty up to \$500 per violation per day may be imposed.

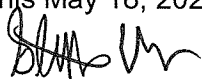
Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If you take no action prior to the hearing, or if you believe you are not in violation of the RMC and wish to contest this notice, an impartial hearing before the five-member Code Enforcement Board will be held. At the hearing, the City will present evidence of the violation(s). You may testify on your own behalf and introduce your own evidence, if any. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will decide if the evidence supports finding you in violation of the Richland Municipal Code. The City bears the burden of proof, which is a preponderance of the evidence.

If the Board determines that one or more violations has occurred, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

FAILURE TO APPEAR: Should you fail to appear, the Code Enforcement Board will enter an order finding that the violation occurred and assess monetary penalties, which may include a continuing monthly monetary penalty until the property is brought into compliance. The City will carry out the Code Enforcement Board's order and recover all related expenses, plus the monetary penalties assessed and the administrative cost of the hearing. A copy of the Board's order and an invoice for payment will be sent to you pursuant to RMC 10.02.060(E).

Issued on this May 18, 2021 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____



Printed Name: Stephanie Dorko, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7644

Attachment – Voluntary Correction Notice

Fraudulent use or misuse of this form may result in criminal charges for Criminal Impersonation in the First Degree under RCW 9A.60.040. Criminal Impersonation in the first degree is a Class C Felony.



Richland Police Department - Nuisance Code Enforcement
871 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352 509-942-7739

CORRECTION NOTICE

July 8, 2020

Location: 2735 Leslie Road, Richland WA 99352

Report: 20200383

You have received this notice because property owned or controlled by you is currently out of compliance with the Richland Municipal Code, and you must take action to bring your property into compliance as identified herein.

Description of Violation(s):

RMC 10.04.040 (P) Public Nuisance Affecting Peace and Safety: all grasses, weeds, or other vegetation growing, or which has grown and died, shall not exceed 6 inches in height.

Required Corrective Action(s):

Cut and maintain the grass and weeds throughout the property and along the fence lines to the south in accordance with the Richland Municipal Code.

The corrective action(s) identified in this Correction Notice must be completed by July 22, 2020 no later than 5:00 p.m.

Failure to remedy the violation(s) identified in this Correction Notice will result in the City issuing a Notice of Civil Violation and scheduling a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board. At the hearing, the Code Enforcement Board will hear the evidence presented and determine whether one or more violations has occurred.

If you are found by the Code Enforcement Board to have committed the violation(s) cited, you will be assessed monetary penalties pursuant to RMC 10.02.050(E) and ordered to abate the violation(s). Penalties range from a minimum of \$50 to a maximum of \$500 per day per violation, up to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 for all violations. You may also be ordered to pay the costs of abatement if the City is forced to correct the violation(s). The third violation of the same regulation at the same location within two (2) years is a criminal offense. See Chapter 10.02 RMC for more details.

To avoid receiving a Notice of Civil Violation, please take the corrective action identified in this Correction Notice by the date specified. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer listed below.

Issued on July 8, 2020 by the Code Enforcement Officer signing below.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Lindsey Linhoff, Code Enforcement

Phone: (509) 942-7740

Attachment – Process Letter

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Process Letter

To Whom it May Concern:

The City has become aware of possible violation(s) of the Richland Municipal Code occurring on property owned or controlled by you. We hope to work with you to correct the violation(s), and we will take reasonable steps to allow for voluntary compliance. Formal action will be taken only if the violation(s) are not corrected as identified in the Correction Notice.

With the exception of barking dog complaints, which are handled in Benton County District Court, the following process is followed for civil code violations in the City of Richland:

1. Initial Inspection: An initial on-site inspection is performed by the City when a complaint is received or when a violation is observed by Code Enforcement. No further action is taken by the City if there is no evidence from the on-site inspection indicating a violation has occurred.
2. Correction Notice Issued: The City will issue a Correction Notice if the initial on-site inspection revealed evidence that a violation has occurred. The notice will describe the violation(s) and the specific corrective action required to achieve compliance. The City will make available a community resources guide listing community organizations that may be available to assist.
3. Follow-Up Inspection: On the date following the deadline for compliance provided in the Correction Notice, the City will perform a follow-up on-site inspection to determine whether voluntary compliance has been met.
 - a. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has been met, the case will be closed and no further action will be required.
 - b. If the follow-up inspection reveals that voluntary compliance has not been met, the City will issue a Notice of Civil Violation for the violation(s) and schedule a hearing before the Code Enforcement Board.
4. Notice of Civil Violation Issued: A Notice of Civil Violation is issued when voluntary compliance is not met by the deadline provided in the Correction Notice. The Notice of Civil Violation contains a hearing date before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, who will hear the evidence and determine whether to affirm or disaffirm the City's Notice of Civil Violation. If you receive a Notice of Civil Violation, you are required to appear before the Code Enforcement Board. Failure to appear will result in entry of a default order affirming the violation(s).
 - a. A minimum penalty of \$50,000 shall be assessed for each Notice of Civil Violation that is affirmed by the Code Enforcement Board, regardless of whether compliance has been met. The maximum penalty the Code Enforcement Board may impose is \$500 per day per violation up to \$5,000 for all violations.
 - b. Note: In lieu of advancing your case to the Code Enforcement Board, you may be eligible to enter into a Voluntary Correction Agreement with the City. A Voluntary Correction Agreement is a binding contract between you and City whereby you agree

to correct the violation(s) within a specified timeframe (usually an extended timeframe) in exchange for granting consent to the City to abate the violation(s) and agreeing to a specific monetary penalty if you fail to correct the violation(s) yourself. Voluntary Correction Agreements will not be used for violations involving dangerous or hazardous conditions, or for repeat violations. Contact the Code Enforcement Officer responsible for your case to learn more about Voluntary Correction Agreements.

5. Code Enforcement Board Hearing: If your case advances to a hearing before the Richland Code Enforcement Board, you will be afforded an opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine the City's witnesses. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board will determine whether the City has proven, by a preponderance of the evidence, that one or more violations of the Richland Municipal Code has occurred.
 - a. If the Board finds that one or more violations exist, monetary penalties will be imposed and corrective action will be ordered.
 - b. If the Board finds that insufficient evidence exists to affirm the violation(s), the case will be dismissed with no further action by you.
6. Assessment of Penalties. If the Board affirms the violation(s) and imposes monetary penalties, or if the terms of the Voluntary Correction Agreement are not met, the City will issue an invoice for payment. Failure to pay the penalties assessed may cause the City to pursue a number of collection actions, including but not limited to recording property liens, assigning the debt to a collection agency, or other legal action. Reimbursement for administrative costs may also be sought.

The City's objective is to work with you to achieve voluntary compliance. If you have questions about the code enforcement process, or if you need additional information, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer identified on your Correction Notice.

Please call me at 509-713-9047 if you have problems logging in to the meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

Phone one-tap: US: [+12063379723,,94966542362#](tel:+1206337972394966542362) or [+12532158782,,94966542362#](tel:+1253215878294966542362)

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