



Town of Surf City

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COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT

The Town of Surf City has been rapidly growing for a number of years, and as it changes and grows, the need for code enhancement and keeping our town attractive/desirable and competitive also escalates. The enhancement team is a community partner, educating and facilitating compliance within the Town of Surf City through staff, citizen and business partners. We want all residents & business owners to have the community pride and enjoy the quality of life that they sought when they choose Surf City.

Our neighborhoods and commercial districts are where we live and raise our families. As a tourist destination our overall community is a reflection of who we are and where we are headed. Visitors should bring a positive perspective back home and long to visit us again for positive memories that will last a lifetime. Unsanitary conditions and nuisances can devalue, detract and degrade the worth and quality of any community. The Town of Surf City has adopted codes and ordinances which guide the use and maintenance of all residential and commercial properties within the community.

What is proactive code enhancement? In the past, code compliance has been primarily reactive, generated by complaints. However, the compliant driven system by itself, has not been entirely effective. The creation of the community enhancement program undertakes proactive efforts to identify code violations and obtain compliance, along with educating citizens, business owners, visitors while still responding to citizen complaints. Proactive enhancement will be taken against properties that contain one or more violations.

Common violations are:

- Overgrown foliage blocking stop signs, impeding lines of sight
- Encroachments in the public right of way (construction, basketball goals, fences, walls etc.)
- Dumping of hazardous materials into the storm drains
- Sign violations, including signs in the public right-of-way, non-permitted signs, flyers & A-Boards
- Violations of commercial and residential site plan requirements
- Junk Vehicles
- Trash, litter, debris & rolling trash carts in from the right-of-way within 24 hours of pickup
- Fats, Oils & Grease

Failure to comply with local codes will result in enhancement action. Please review your property for any potential ordinance compliance concerns.

If you are unsure if you have a compliance concern on your property please contact the Town for advice prior to the issuance of a notices at 910-328-4131.

Benefits to proactive enhancement:

- Sense of Community
- Public Health & Safety
- Community & Economic Development
- Higher Property Values
- Community Image
- Public Welfare
- Implementation of Community Vision

Let's look at the bigger picture together and do everything we can to help our town be successful & appealing!!

Sincerely,

The Community Development Department