

Tucson Residents for Responsive Government - Code Enforcement Working Group Wednesday April 27, 2016 4:30 - 6:00 PM Ward 6 - West Meeting Room

Agenda

Tucson Code Chapter 16 – Neighborhood Preservation “The purpose of this chapter is to promote and preserve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Tucson, Arizona, and to protect residents and neighborhoods against hazardous, blighting and deteriorating influences or conditions that diminish quality of life and contribute to the downgrading of neighborhood property values. This chapter serves these purposes by establishing minimum standards for the condition of the interior of residential buildings; by establishing requirements for maintenance of all residential and nonresidential buildings, structures of whatever kind, and vacant and improved land; and by prohibiting acts and conduct that diminish quality of life.”

TRRG-CE Working Group Focus – the neighborhood appearance portions of Tucson Code Chapter 16 (Neighborhood Preservation), covering such violations as overgrown weeds, trash/debris, excessive storage, dead vegetation, junked motor vehicles, graffiti, illegal dumping, shopping carts, dilapidated structures and vacant/neglected buildings.

Guests: Pat Tapia, Deputy Director, City of Tucson Environmental Services Department – Michael Wyneken, Interim Code Enforcement Administrator

I. Introductions

II. Code Enforcement Updates

1. Current staffing - retirements and future staffing – unfreezing CE vacancies
2. Where Code Enforcement has been, where it is going

III. “. . . radically reorganizing the way the work is done . . . ”

1. [Postcard program](#), evaluation of effectiveness and possible redesign
2. Office staff process improvements - data entry shortfall
3. Progress on cutting number of trips per violation - management statistics
4. Use of field technology - routing efficiency, field updating
5. Use of direct-to-citation for repeat offenders - identifying repeat offenders
6. Using City Attorney services for non-responsive chronic offenders

IV. TRRG-CE Future Directions

1. Property upkeep education/communication
 1. coordination and support of City efforts (CE, ES, PDSD/Neigh Resources) with neighborhood leaders and interested residents
 2. Beautiful Curb Appeal Contest
2. Volunteer possibilities
3. New ideas