### TITLE 13

# PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REGULATIONS<sup>1</sup>

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## CHAPTER 1

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

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- **13-101.** <u>Health officer</u>. The "health officer" shall be such municipal, county, or state officer as the governing body shall appoint or designate to administer and enforce health and sanitation regulations within the municipality. (1980 Code, § 8-101)
- 13-102. Smoke, soot, cinders, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the escape of such quantities of dense smoke, soot, cinders, noxious acids, fumes, dust, or gases as to be detrimental to or to endanger the health, comfort, and safety of the public or so as to cause or have a tendency to cause injury or damage to property or business. (1980 Code, § 8-105)
- **13-103.** <u>Stagnant water</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to allow any pool of stagnant water to accumulate and stand on his property without treating it so as effectively to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes. (1980 Code, § 8-106)

<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references Animal control: title 10.

Littering streets, etc.: § 16-107.

- **13-104.** Weeds. Every owner or tenant of property shall periodically cut the grass and other vegetation commonly recognized as weeds on his property, and it shall be unlawful for any person to fail to comply with an order by the city recorder or chief of police to cut such vegetation when it has reached a height of over one foot (1'). (1980 Code, § 8-107)
- 13-105. <u>Dead animals</u>. Any person owning or having possession of any dead animal not intended for use as food shall promptly bury the same or notify the health officer and dispose of such animal in such manner as the health officer shall direct. (1980 Code, § 8-108)
- 13-106. <u>Health and sanitation nuisances</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any premises owned, occupied, or controlled by him to become or remain in a filthy condition, or permit the use or occupation of same in such a manner as to create noxious or offensive smells and odors in connection therewith, or to allow the accumulation or creation of unwholesome and offensive matter or the breeding of flies, rodents, or other vermin on the premises to the menace of the public health or the annoyance of people residing within the vicinity. (1980 Code, § 8-109)
- 13-107. <u>House trailers</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to park, locate, or occupy any house trailer or portable building unless it complies with all plumbing, electrical, sanitary, and building provisions applicable to stationary structures and the proposed location conforms to the zoning provisions of the municipality and unless a permit therefor shall have been first duly issued by the building official, as provided for in the building code. (1980 Code, § 8-104)
- **13-108.** Establishment of burial places. It shall be unlawful for any person to establish or maintain any cemetery or burial place, or to sell or give away any lot to be used for burial purposes within six hundred feet (600') of any residence within the city. (1980 Code, § 10-231)

### **CHAPTER 2**

## **JUNKYARDS**

### **SECTION**

13-201. Regulations.

13-202. Restricted as to location.

- **13-201.** <u>Regulations</u>. All junkyards within the corporate limits shall be operated and maintained subject to the following regulations:
- (1) All junk stored or kept in such yards shall be so kept that it will not catch and hold water in which mosquitoes may breed and so that it will not constitute a place, or places in which rats, mice, or other vermin may be harbored, reared, or propagated.
- (2) All such junkyards shall be enclosed within close fitting plank or metal solid fences touching the ground on the bottom and being not less than six feet (6') in height, such fence to be built so that it will be impossible for stray cats and/or stray dogs to have access to such junkyards.
- (3) Such yards shall be so maintained as to be in a sanitary condition and so as not to be a menace to the public health or safety.
- 13-202. Restricted as to location. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or maintain a junk yard or to store or deposit any junk within one hundred and fifty feet (150') of any public street in the corporate limits without a permit from the board of mayor and aldermen. Such permit shall be issued only when in the judgment of the board of mayor and aldermen the general welfare, health, and safety of the persons and property of the city will not thereby be endangered and it appears that congested traffic will not result. (1980 Code, § 5-501)