What is a Nuisance?

One of the most frequently requested services of the City is to help alleviate what are broadly called "Nuisances". These include a property with unmowed or high grass, junk cars, piles of debris, brush piles, or unused appliances or machinery, as well as weeds, deteriorated or unsafe buildings, snow or ice on adjacent public sidewalks, and any other items or acts that may reduce or negatively affect our quality of life.

The City does encourage all residents to maintain their property in a manner that is neat, clean and respectful to the other members of the community.

The City's nuisance ordinance is enforced primarily through a complaint system, where residents can either call or email with a concern about a specific property. In 2017 City staff conducted over 500 nuisance complaint inspections, City-wide. All complaint reports are confidential.

If you have questions about the City's nuisance program, or if you know of a nuisance property, you can contact City Planner Mike Weber at 320-759-3626 or mweber@alexandriamn.city. The identity of a party making such a complaint is protected as confidential by Minnesota State law. (Minnesota Statutes 13.44, Subd. 1.).

To report snow or ice on a public sidewalk please contact the City's Public Works Department at 320-815-8430.





