

“The Department of Code Enforcement is responsible for maintaining and improving the physical quality of life in our **neighborhoods**”.

Use [311 Online Service Request](#)

574.235.9486

[www.ci.south-bend.in.us/department/code-enforcement](http://www.ci.south-bend.in.us/department/code-enforcement)



**“CONTINUOUS ENFORCMENT** - After three (3) environmental complaints within 90 days, The City may request a Code Hearing. If a Continuous Enforcement Order is issued it remains on the property for 2 years. This would result in:

\$500 per violation 1st year

\$750 per violation 2nd year + \$400 fee

\$1,000 per violation 3rd year + \$450 fee

\$1,500 per violation 4th year + \$500 fee



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The South Bend Common Council passed Ordinance No. 10363-15 so that the City Administration would have another tool to help improve the quality of life in the City of South Bend especially in our residential **neighborhoods**.



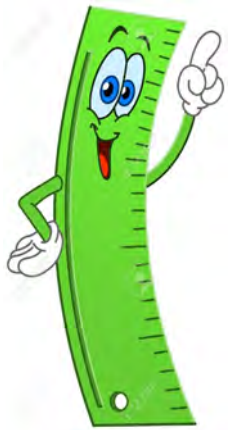
*“To make certain that our City Government is always responsive to the needs of our residents and that the betterment of South Bend is always our highest priority”.*

South Bend Common Council

Mission Statement



**9” MAXIMUM  
HEIGHT -  
GRASS & WEEDS  
EFFECTIVE JULY 10,  
2015**



# Hello South Bend!!

On **Friday, July 10, 2015 at midnight** the new rules & regs on tall grass, weeds, noxious weeds, rank or over-grown vegetation take effect.

## Let's Work Together!

Our neighborhoods can be looking great, but we need to help. Let's

- Cut down grass/weeds over 9"
- Decrease allergies
- Decrease noxious odors
- Eliminate homes for woodchucks, moles & other rodents
- Enhance public safety
- Eliminate sight hazards for persons walking & driving—just to name a few



### The PROCESS: Example # 1



Code Enforcement gets a **COMPLAINT!!!**

Code Inspector



Investigates finds NO violations. 😊



### Example # 2



Code Enforcement gets a **COMPLAINT!!!**



Code Inspector finds violation , takes picture



gives 48-hour notice to comply.



Property re-inspected finds owner has cut grass below 9" & has

complied. Violation cleared. 😊



**Working together to protect the quality of life in**



### Example # 3



Code Enforcement gets a **COMPLAINT!!!**



Code Inspector finds violation , takes picture gives 48-hour

notice to comply. Property re-inspected.

**Violation Confirmed!!** Owner has NOT complied. City sends out crew to mow lot. City sends out bill to owner of property for cutting the lot. Bill must be



paid in thirty (30) days.

**IF owner fails to pay, bill**

**Is sent to collections and**

**then filed as a lien against**

**the owner's property if still not paid.**



**Each violation results in \$250 fine.**

