Contact Code Enforcement

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Home Auto Repair Guidelines

Code Enforcement Mission:
To promote and maintain a high quality of life where people live and work.
What Types of Automobile Repair are allowed in Residential zones?
Brake part replacement, minor tune-ups, change of oil and filter, repair of flat tires, lubrication and other similar operations.
(See section 3.2.5, Table 3.2 (I) of the Zoning Code)

What Major and Minor Automobile Repairs are Reserved for non-Residential properties?

Major body and engine work and repairs to automobiles, other passenger vehicles, or boats. Examples include but are not limited to: rebuilding of radiator, transmission, and other major machine shop, body rebuilding, and painting.

Minor adjustments, service, and repairs to automobiles or other passenger vehicles. Examples include but are not limited to: radiator, transmission, muffler, and brake repair, lubricant shops, diagnosis and tune-up, smog inspection, auto glass repair and installation, automotive seat covers and re-upholstery, tire sales and service, and car washes.
(See sections 7.3, 3.2.5, Table 3.1 (Commercial Uses)(H)(6), and 3.2.5, Table 3.1 (Commercial Uses)(H)(7))

What are the rules for Minor Repair and Maintenance of Vehicles for Personal Use at Residences?

It is unlawful for any person to engage in, or permit others to engage in, minor vehicle repair or maintenance under any of the following circumstances:

1. Using tools not normally found in a residence;
2. Conducted on vehicles registered to persons, not currently residing on the lot or parcel;
3. Conducted outside a fully enclosed garage and resulting in any vehicle being inoperable for a period in excess of twenty-four hours.
(See section 3.2.5, Table 3.2 (I) of the Zoning Code)

Why is Code Enforcement Concerned About Residential Automobile Repair?

The chemicals involved in automobile repair can pollute our neighborhoods and endanger the health and wellbeing of our residents. Furthermore, this kind of activity increases vehicle traffic and the visual impact can negatively impact property values.

Code Enforcement's Goal

Code Enforcement's goal is to prevent the physical and aesthetic deterioration of our community. By enforcing the County codes, we can help you clean up your neighborhoods and maintain a healthy and safe environment.

Together, we can help reduce crime and poverty, protect the health and well-being of our residents, and help maintain property values. When you purchased your home, business, or property, you made an investment in not only in the property itself, but you also invested in the community.

As a property owner, you can positively impact your property and community by adhering to the County codes, keeping your property tidy, and reporting those who do not; thus, preserving and enhancing your community for future generations.

How You Can Help?

- Keep automobile repair limited to personal, minor repair.
- Keep both developed and undeveloped property free of trash, debris, and excessive foliage.
- Fence or board properties that might attract trespassers or vandals.
- Keep grounds and structures clean and tidy.
- Park in designated parking.
- Learn and adhere to local zoning and code regulations.
- Do not tolerate illicit activity.
- Cooperate in good faith should you receive a complaint.
- Report violations and nuisances.

This is Your Community! Let’s work together to keep it clean and safe!

Report Your Concerns: Call 311