

CITY OF ST. JOSEPH INSPECTION DEPARTMENT 700 Broad Street St. Joseph, MI 49085 Phone (269) 983-1212 www.sjcity.com

## 2024 PROPERTY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

## TO: City Property Owners within the 2024 Focus Area 3

Your neighborhood is located within this year's Property Maintenance Program. This program divides the city into 6 focus areas where visual inspections are made of every property. A map of this year's focus area is attached. Your neighborhood was last inspected in 2017. Individual inspections may also be made outside the focus area when needed.

The program intends to prevent blight, maintain property values, and improve the overall safety and quality of life in our city neighborhoods. This program is based on the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC-2015), as adopted by the St. Joseph City Commission, to regulate the maintenance of all properties, both residential and commercial. City inspectors will examine the exterior condition of properties in your neighborhood and will require owners to repair any identified deficiencies, such as peeling paint, deteriorated surfaces, missing house numbers, missing handrails, or any other exterior feature showing signs of disrepair. The inspections will be conducted by viewing each property from adjacent public sidewalks, streets, and alleys, or occasionally from private property with consent.

If the inspection finds a property does not meet the IPMC requirements the City will send a Correction Notice to the owner on May 1, 2024. If a Correction Notice is issued for your property you will have until <u>September 20, 2024</u>, to complete the required repairs. An appeal process is available if more time is believed necessary to make repairs or to contest the determination. If you 'pass' the inspection you will not receive a formal follow-up letter but feel free to call to confirm.

## The Property Maintenance Program timeline is as follows:

Feb/March/April Conduct exterior property maintenance inspections

May 1 Issue a Correction Notice to the responsible person when the property shows a deficiency

May 23 Application deadline for anyone requesting a formal Appeal May 23/June 27 Property Maintenance Board of Appeals (PMBOA) hearings

Sept. 20 Date the cited property maintenance deficiencies are required to be complete

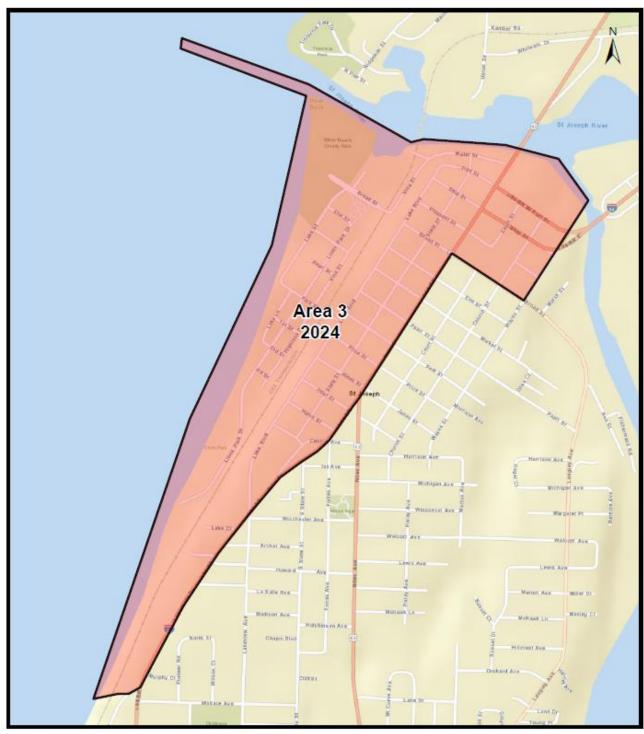
If you have any questions concerning this program, please contact us at 269-983-1212 or email <a href="mailto:jross@sjcity.com">jross@sjcity.com</a> (state your address in the email subject line).

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this important process.

Respectfully,

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Code Enforcement Officer





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