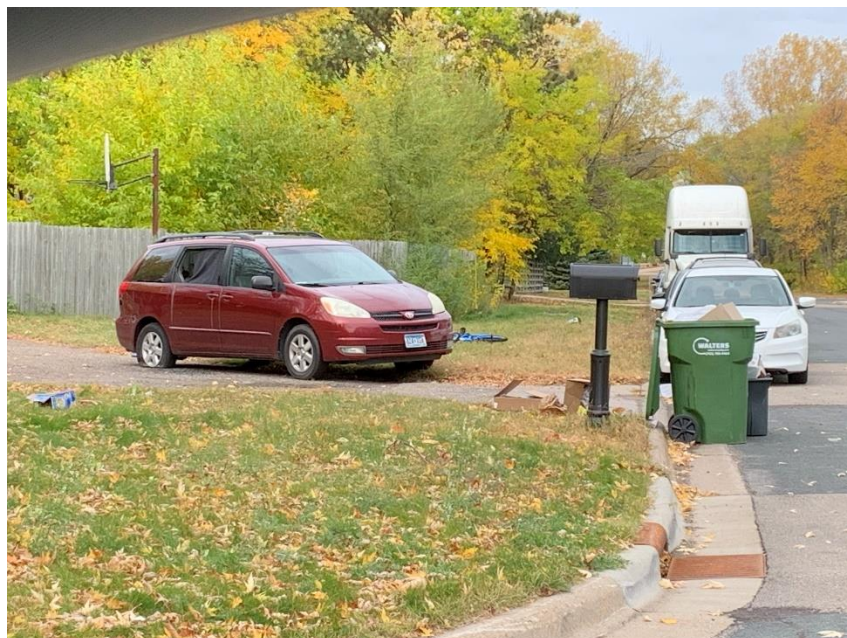


Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council
From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer
Date: October 14, 2020
Subject: Trash complaints at Manor Drive/Lakewood Drive

Councilmember Dircks has informed staff of a complaint she received from a resident of Lakewood Drive about trash blowing in the resident's yard. This was further documented by a police report filed by Theresa Zink (8401 Lakewood Drive) on October 12, 2020.

Here are some pictures from the neighborhood.



The trash blowing into the Lakewood Drive neighborhood is not all from parking from residents/guests of the Legends of Spring Lake Park. We have been addressing code violations at 8410 Lakewood Drive. This house is a rental property. Beginning in March, we have notified the property owner that City Code states that garbage containers cannot be left at the curbside for more than 24 hours prior to or after pick-up. In addition, we have documented these

garbage containers are usually overflowing with refuse, which has subsequently blown into neighboring lawns. The property owner did not take action on the abatement notice, which led to the issuance of an administrative citations on March 17, April 6, and September 28. Between the zoning citations and non-payment late fees, the property owner owes the City \$705.00. Building Official Baker and Code Enforcement Official Walter Morris will continue to keep an eye on this property and work to bring this property in compliance utilizing the tools we have in City Code.



A number of vehicles park along the south side of Manor Drive that we presume are residents and/or guests of residents of the Legends of Spring Lake Park. There is a no parking zone along the north side of Manor Drive that serves as the fire lane for the south side of the building. Parking is allowed on the south side of Manor Drive. Guests utilize these spaces due to permit parking in the outdoor parking lots. After business hours, the towing

company is very aggressive in towing away unpermitted vehicles. It is possible that some trash is blowing out of vehicles parked on Manor Drive. Building Official Baker has spoken with management at the Legends about this issue and has asked that they bring this issue up with the residents in an attempt to educate them and reduce this problem.

The Police Department has not received a lot of police calls in this general area. From 2018 to present, we have received 8 police calls at or near the intersection of Manor Drive and Lakewood Drive, 2 police calls at or near the intersection of Manor Drive and Laddie Road, and 4 police calls at or near the intersection of Manor Drive and Fillmore Street. Summaries of the calls are attached to this memorandum for your reference.

The City's Department Heads spent a significant amount of time discussing this matter, trying to identify options for the City Council to consider. We brainstormed a number of possible actions that could be taken by the City to address this problem.

1. Continue to address abatement of nuisances at 8410 Lakewood Drive. Building Inspector Baker and I believe that this is a significant source of the garbage blowing into the Lakewood Drive area.
2. Place no littering signs along the south side of Manor Drive.
3. Place garbage cans along Manor Drive in front of the Legends of Spring Lake Park to encourage visitors, guests and pedestrians to pick up trash and deposit it in a refuse container rather than leave it to blow around in the wind.
4. Establish a no-parking zone on the south side of Manor Drive in front of the Legends. The City's fear is that such a no parking zone will only push on-street parking onto Manor Drive, in front of Triangle Park, and down Lakewood Drive, which could generate additional police calls and complaints. We discussed permit parking and time limited

parking for this area, but determined that we did not have the police resources to properly enforce these restrictions.

5. Put together a flyer educating residents of the Legends on this issue that they can share with visitors and guests.

We are open to hearing suggestions from the City Council on how to address this matter.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.

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