

## Property Maintenance and Codes Enforcement

In the spring of each year the Martin Police Department's Codes Enforcement Officer is inundated with complaints and enforcement of property maintenance regulations found in Title 13 of the City of Martin Municipal Code Book. The biggest challenge seems to be keeping up with the vegetation complaints. Code 13-104 calls for every owner or tenant of property to periodically cut the grass and other vegetation commonly recognized as weeds on the property and to maintain a height at no more than six (6) inches. The owner or tenant of the property will be given notice one time per growing season by the Codes Enforcement Officer if the maintenance is neglected. Subsequent violations will result in contract mowing by order of the Chief of Police with billing to the tenant or property owner. Municipal Court Citations may also be issued for owners or tenants who routinely violate this code section.

Remember, keeping your property neat adds to the value of your property as well as the appearance of our neighborhoods while inspiring others to maintain their property as well. The City of Martin takes great pride in the appearance of our neighborhoods, downtown area and parks as evidenced by the hard work of the Martin Beautiful Committee, Civic Club projects, and individual contributions to beautification projects. Please help Martin stay beautiful by keeping properties neat and well maintained.

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