Neighborhoods Through the Decades: Viewpoint of an Activist & Elected Official

- Livability in the 1970s and 1980s
  - Owner occupancy
  - Good maintenance
  - Walkable and bikeable

- Less livability in the 1990s and 2000s
  - Less owner occupancy
  - Poorer maintenance
  - More vehicles, fewer pedestrians and cyclists

- City improvements in mid 2000s to present
  - Property inspections
  - Housing renewal and affordability
  - Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations
Rethinking Compliance Issues Through Community Resources & Education

- How to inform people of violations in a non-confrontational manner
  - Education and informal notes work much better than a notice of violation
- If people know, or are aware, they generally comply (90% of the time!)
- How to address aesthetics and inability to comply?
  - CBO’s and faith based organizations
- Give extended timelines for compliance for big ticket issues (roof/siding/etc)
- Your allies are everyone in the community, use and include all of them, be creative
- Steady and consistent with a specific mission will accomplish the goal
City of Stevens Point Inspections
1515 Strongs Ave | Stevens Point, WI

Date/Time: ________________________
Address: ________________________

Our Department noticed and/or received a complaint about a potential code violation, as outlined below:

[ ] Sidewalk needs to be cleaned/cleared
[ ] Grass/weeds height excessive & needs to be mowed
[ ] Construction activity without a permit
[ ] Sign without a permit/nonconforming sign
[ ] Vehicle parking on lawn or unapproved surface
[ ] Unregistered or inoperable vehicle present
[ ] Garbage, debris, or general refuse present
[ ] Garbage cart needs to be properly stored
[ ] Furniture/bulk item(s) located outside dwelling

(residents can purchase bulk item tags for curbside pickup)

Visit us online for additional resources, or to purchase bulk item tag(s) at www.stevenspoint.com/neighborhood

NOTES: _____________________________________________________________
(715) 346-1567 | neighborhood@stevenspoint.com

Date/Time: ________________________

Greetings Neighbor!

I am your elected City of Stevens Point Alderperson ____________________ for District ________.

As everyone in the neighborhood strives to make the City a better place to live, I happened to notice the following item(s) which you may not have been aware of;

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The City has a Code of Ordinances that apply to a variety of items such as these, all of which can be viewed online at www.stevenspoint.com/code. A condensed FAQ document is also available at www.stevenspoint.com/FAQ.

Please consider this as nothing more than a friendly reminder from your local Alderperson, and not a notice of non-compliance which would need to be issued by the City Inspections Department. Should you have any specific questions about City codes or grant/loan programs, assistance is available for all City residents by calling (715) 346-1567 ext. 1, or via email at inspections@stevenspoint.com.

Thank you for being a good neighbor and helping to make Stevens Point a great community for all of us to call home!