COMPLIMENTARY PROPERTY INSPECTION GUIDE

BUILDING A BETTER BIRMINGHAM PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST

TAKE SOME TIME TO INSPECT YOUR PROPERTY FOR:

LEGIBLE ADDRESS NUMBERS

clearly marked and readily seen from the street are essential for first responders in cases of emergency (RECOMMENDED MINIMUM OF 4" TALL)

CHIPPED/FLAKING PAINT

resulting in decreased property value and is harmful to children, reduces the weather proofing and exterior durability

BROKEN WINDOWS

attract unwanted intruders/animals, increase utility costs and detract from the visual aesthetic of the home

4 DAMAGED ROOF, EAVES & SOFFITS

providing entry for birds, wasps and moisture, also exposes the dwelling's interior to the elements and reduces energy efficiency

PORCH/BALCONY/STAIRS

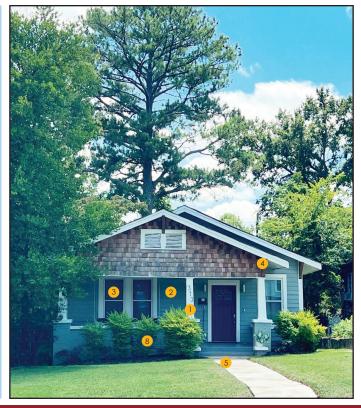
ensure proper handrails and guardrails are installed to prevent physical harm or injuries, especially to small children and the elderly

GUTTERS

drain water away from foundation and prevent basement from flooding that can lead to rot, decay and potential foundation collapse

DAMAGED FENCES AND WALLS

may collapse or harm unsuspecting individuals or obstruct alleyways. (NOTE ALL FENCE AND WALLS, EVEN MOST REPAIRS, REQUIRE PERMIT)



UNMAINTAINED LAWNS & OVERGROWN VEGETATION

8 create habitat for rodents and contribute to pollen and dust issues that can negatively impact nearby residents are unsightly, can conceal unwanted intruders or provide nesting for animals that promote the spread of disease and pest insects

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JUNK, DEBRIS AND EMPTY CONTAINERS

allow for accumulation of stagnate water to attract mosquitoes and insects that spread disease and serve as a water source for rodents and mold

TRASH AND MISPLACED GARBAGE

may encourage animals and others to dump waste and refuse on your property. Please use or request City provided bin

FURNITURE & SALVAGED MATERIAL

indoor furniture left outside may provide a home for rats or unwanted animals and will hold moisture resulting in accumulation of mold/mildew

PARKING ON UNPAVED SURFACES

damages lawns and detracts from the neighborhood appeal visually

3 INOPERABLE VEHICLES

attractive home for rodents and can be a hazard for small children

MATURE TREES CAN BE ONE OF THE MOST NEGLECTED AREAS ON A PROPERTY AND ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RESIDENT



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Department of Planning Engineering & Permits

UTILIZE THIS CHECKLIST TO KEEP YOUR PROPERTY IN TIPTOP SHAPE AND INCREASE IT'S VALUE

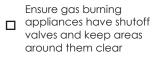
TOP PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

Ensure the exterior condition is clean, safe and sanitary Remove tree limbs and debris from gutters Cut and bundle tree □ limbs for pick up Divert water runoff away from house foundation Periodically check foundation for cracks or water intrusion

Clear area around exhaust vents & air ducts

Maintain alley/sidewalk □ as an extension of property

- Ensure windows are not sealed shut and are
- operable
- Correct peeling paint



Examine plumbing fixtures for leaks

Change AC/furnace filters every three months Inspect furnace annually for gas leaks or cracks Ensure water heater discharge pipe is not clogged and drains Install smoke detectors on every floor and outside each bedroom

> Check for and repair exposed or faulty wiring Ensure working fire extinguishers are annually checked and charged

and check batteries









IMPORTANT CONTACTS

CODE ENFORCEMENT	205-254-2061
PUBLIC WORKS	205-254-6316
POLICE (NON EMERGENCY) 205-244-1700
FIRE DEPARTMENT (PIO)	205-250-7540
BWWB	205-244-4000
SPIRE	1-800-292-4008
AL POWER	1-800-245-2244
ZONING	205-254-2478
HOUSING	205-297-8043
CONDEMNATION	205-254-2422
FLOOD HAZARD	205-254-7755
STORMWATER	205-254-7771
CRITICAL REPAIR	205-254-2309





