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INSPECTORS UNCOVER 186 VIOLATIONS DURING RECENT CODE SWEEPS

Kenner, LA. – During three recent code sweeps, inspectors from the City of Kenner Code Enforcement Division uncovered a total of 186 violations, officials said.

The code sweeps took place in various areas of the city both residential and commercial. That included sweeps of the 1400 to 1900 blocks of 42nd Street, the 3200 to 3400 blocks of Arkansas Avenue, as well as the 3500 to 3600 blocks of Martinique Street, the 300 to 500 blocks of Coleman Place, the 4200 block of Loire Drive and the 2800 block Fayette and Greenwood streets.

The sweep on 42nd Street was the result of repeated complaints related to trash, litter and cars parking on the grass at multi-family complexes in the area. In addition to the violations found below, an additional 17 court summonses will be issued to property owners on Martinique when located.

Abandoned vehicles	1
Address required	3
Building maintenance required	11
Soffit/fascia issues	2
Fence repair	4
Illegal discharge	2
Litter/debris	5
Repair or demolition required	1
Unsafe electrical conditions	10
Rodent proofing	4

The three sweeps in the 3200 to 3400 block of Arkansas Avenue, the 300 to 500 blocks of Coleman Place and the 2800 block of Fayette and Greenwood streets revealed the following violations:

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3200 to 3400 Arkansas

Abandoned vehicle	3
Abandoned refrigerators	1
Address required	1
Building maintenance required	2
Fence repair needed	1
High grass	4
Litter/debris	5
Repair or demolition required	1
Unsafe electrical conditions	2
Vermin/rodents	1

300 to 500 Coleman Place

Abandoned vehicles	5
Address required	1
Building maintenance required	2
Soffit/fascia issues	3
High grass	6
Oversized vehicles	1
Repair or demolition required	2
Unsafe electrical conditions	3
Vermin/rodents	4

2800 block of Fayette and Greenwood

Abandoned vehicles	4
Address required	2
Building maintenance required	6
Fence repair	5
High grass	12
Litter/debris	11
Parking on grass	3
Repair or demolition required	3
Unsafe electrical conditions	6
Vermin/rodents	1

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The sweeps of 3500 to 3600 blocks of Martinique Avenue and 4200 block of Loire Drive uncovered the following violations:

Abandoned vehicles	4
Boarding required	2
Building permit required	4
Building maintenance required	3
Soffit/fascia issues	1
Fence repair	2
High grass/weeds	2
Litter/debris	12
Parking on grass	1
Unsafe electrical conditions	6
Unsafe plumbing conditions	1
Dumpster violation	1
Vermin/rodents	3

Property owners are identified during the sweeps, later summoned to come to court and ordered to comply with Kenner’s code laws. Violators can face both fines and court costs. Even if violators come into compliance, they are placed on probation and can be recharged under the original offense if there is a repeat violation.

Mayor Ben Zahn congratulated Code Enforcement Director Rick Walther and his staff and said the goal is to continue the sweeps in all different areas of the city.

“If there is blight, we are likely to target that area with a code sweep, whether it is commercial or residential,” Mayor Zahn said. “I urge residents to continue – as they have been - to alert us to problem areas.”

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