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CODE SWEEPS UNCOVER 124 VIOLATIONS IN SOUTH KENNER

Kenner, LA. – Members of the Kenner Code Enforcement Unit uncovered 124 violations in a pair of code sweeps conducted recently in south Kenner, officials said.

One sweep focused on 29th and Gerry Streets and Veterans Memorial Boulevard in the Susan Park subdivision, and a second sweep was in the 500 to 700 blocks of Compromise and Clay streets.

During the sweep of 29th, Gerry and Veterans Boulevard, investigators discovered the following violations:

Abandoned vehicle	9
Address required	1
Building permit required	2
Building maintenance required	8
Soffitt/fascia issues	3
Fence repair required	3
High grass	5
Illegal discharge	1
Litter/debris	14
Oversized vehicles	2
Stagnant water/mosquitoes	1
Repair/demolition required	2
Unsafe electrical conditions	3
Unsafe plumbing conditions	2
Unsafe mechanical conditions	1
Window/door/screen	2
Rodent proofing	4
Parking on grass	16

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During the sweep of Compromise and Clay streets, the following violations were discovered:

Abandoned vehicles	11
Building maintenance required	5
Fascia/soffit repairs	2
Fence repair	1
High grass	2
Litter/debris	9
Oversized vehicle	2
Stagnant water/mosquitoes	1
Repair or demolition required	3
Vermin/rodents	2
Window/door/screen	3
Unsafe building	1
Tire storage	1
Unsafe vehicle/major mechanical	1
Living in camper	1

Property owners are identified during the sweeps and then are later summoned to court and ordered to come into compliance with Kenner’s code laws, often facing fines and court costs. Often, those property owners coming in compliance are placed on probation, and if there is a repeat violation, they can be recharged under the original violation.

District 1 Councilman Gregory Carroll, whose district includes the areas where both sweeps were conducted, urged residents to continue to report any issues with code violations in their neighborhoods.

“We are responding to your calls and concerns, and we will continue to do that,” Carroll said. “With your help, we can make a real difference in our fight against blight.”

Mayor Ben Zahn commended Code Enforcement Director Rick Walther and members of the Code Enforcement Unit for their diligence in making sure property owners and residents respect and follow the city’s code enforcement rules.

“If you don’t meet your obligations, we will take you to court,” Zahn said.

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