



Aside from what we consider a few really cold days here in the southern Arizona desert, our winter season has been fairly mild. Weeds have continued to grow throughout the season, so we are anticipating a very green spring. Therefore, we are asking everyone to stay on top of maintaining their properties this year. Both your homeowners association and Code Enforcement will be out canvassing the neighborhoods on a regular basis to ensure everyone does their part to keep the area safe and attractive.

Please remember that good property maintenance applies to more than just weeds. It is equally important to ensure any refuse is properly removed from the property and that all bushes and trees are trimmed, to allow unobstructed use of the streets and sidewalks. This is extremely important as we work to prevent safety hazards to adjacent property owners, pedestrians, and motorists.

With regards to sidewalk areas, we would also like to caution everyone to be disciplined while out walking your pets. First, we want to remind you that if your pet deposits waste on public or private property, it is your responsibility to promptly remove the waste for proper disposal. Not only does this keep you out of trouble, it is just good common courtesy.

Second, we have seen several dog bites recently while leashed dogs were being walked on the sidewalks and shared use paths. As the owner of any walked dog, please remember that not only do you need to leash your canine companion, you must also be able to control the dog at all times while using the leash. A good rule of thumb would be to maintain a clear space a few feet longer than your leash while approaching other pedestrians or animals. You can also shorten your leash while others are around to ensure you are able to maintain control at all times.

As always, should you have any questions or concerns, you can reach Code Enforcement at (520) 382-2520 or codeenforcement@maranaaz.gov, and Animal Control at (520) 382-8020 or animalservices@maranaaz.gov. We hope you all have a wonderful spring and look forward to seeing everyone around town.

Regards,
Bill Lorefice
Chief Code enforcement and Animal Control Officer