The Community Development Department is responsible for Planning & Zoning Enforcement; Engineering; Plan Review; Building Permits; Construction Inspection; Property Maintenance Enforcement; Flood Information; and a variety of other duties. If you have any questions relating to any of the above, please call the Community Development Department at (630) 260-6030.

Mission Statement

The Glendale Heights Department of Community Development strives to provide professional assistance in planning, development and construction by adopting and enforcing current codes and standards in a uniform and unbiased manner, in order to establish and maintain a safe, healthy and attractive community for all residents and business owners.

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REFERENCES

- 2000 International Property Maintenance Code
- Official Village Code
- Village of Glendale Heights Zoning Ordinance

INOPERABLE VEHICLES

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Inoperable vehicles clutter the community and are an eyesore.
**WHY IS THIS A CONCERN?**

Improper storage of an inoperable vehicle can be a serious problem for the entire community. These vehicles are unsightly, clutter the neighborhood, provide a harborage for rodents and are an attractive nuisance for children. Lack of concern regarding such vehicles can often contribute to a blighting effect on the community.

**THE ORDINANCE**

The International Property Maintenance Code, as adopted by Village ordinance, prohibits inoperable unlicensed vehicles from being parked, kept, or stored on any premises except inside an enclosed structure- i.e. garage. Motor vehicles are considered unlicensed whenever the displayed state license plate is expired and/ or the Village sticker is expired or not properly displayed on the windshield.

Furthermore, the Village ordinance considers any vehicle having not moved in 30 days as potentially being inoperable.

**MY CAR WORKS AND I DON’T WANT TO GET RID OF IT**

As long as your vehicle is properly licensed and registered (i.e. current state license plate and village sticker), in running condition, not in a state of major disrepair and moved occasionally; it is considered as being in compliance with the village ordinance. It could also be stored inside the garage.

**WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY OLD VEHICLE IF I DON’T WANT IT?**

There are several organizations that will gladly accept your old car or truck as a donation. In many cases your donated motor vehicle may qualify as a tax write off. These organizations can be found in the phonebook or over the internet. For your convenience the following are known organizations that accept old motor vehicles.

- Alzheimer’s Association
- American Diabetes Association
- Arthritis Foundation
- Boy Scouts of America
- The Caring Closet
- Community Link
- Easter Seals
- Illinois Right to Life Committee
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
- Kids in Danger
- National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
- Starlight Children’s Foundation
- The above organizations can be contacted by calling America’s Car donation center at 1-800-513-6560

- The American Lung Association 1-800-5-VEHICLE (1-800-583-4425)
- The National Kidney Foundation 1-800-488-CARS (1-800-488-2277)

The above list is only for your convenience and is a recommendation of support from the Village of Glendale Heights. Please consider which ever organization you would desire to support.

**I CAN’T FIND THE TITLE**

You can obtain a duplicate copy of the title through the Secretary of State’s office or call the toll free number 1-800-252-8980.

**WHAT IF I GET A VIOLATION NOTICE?**

If you receive a violation notice, you will be given 15 days to bring your property into compliance. We understand that you may have a circumstance in which may it is difficult to comply within the time designated on the violation notice. Please contact the code enforcement officer listed on the violation notice to arrange for an extension for compliance of the violation. We are here to improve the community and will do everything we can to help you achieve compliance with your property.

**ADDITIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODES REGARDING VEHICLES**

Commercial trucks are not to be parked or stored in a Residential District unless they are in a completely enclosed garage.

A single recreational vehicle (RV) may be parked or stored on a residential district lot provided that it is not occupied, hooked up to gas, water, or sanitary services. It can be parked in a garage or on a driveway without encroaching on the public sidewalk.

All vehicles and trailers are required to be completely parked or stored on an impervious (paved) surface.