

ACTION REQUIRED: All Edgewood homeowners, please read for safety reasons:

For especially those homeowners who's property encroaches sidewalk or walking paths, please read the following:

Over the past few months, because of the spring rain, our grass, trees and shrubs have grown immensely and look beautiful. However, as a result of this growth we have a few issues that we would like to address and the require action by each homeowner as necessary.

If you take a walk around our neighborhood, using the sidewalks, you will notice that several trees, grass and shrubs that are encroaching upon/hanging over those sidewalks and paths. This is dangerous for adults walking as well as children walking and riding their bikes.

PLEASE:

- **Check your trees, shrubs and grass to make sure that someone walking in front of YOUR house is not going to be affected by them.**
- **Trees, shrubs and grass should NOT hang over the sidewalk. (tree branches should be pruned to a height of 8 ft over the walk)**
- **Take the time to do this as soon as possible and each year as necessary**
- **Kevin Peck on the board is a licensed Horticulturalist and certified Tree Expert and will volunteer his expertise to help any homeowner complete their tree pruning over their walk if they would like. The branches will be left with the homeowner to dispose of. Please contact Tidewater Management and give them your name and phone number if you are interested.**

Below is information taken directly from our Architectural Standards and Guidelines with regard to our responsibility as homeowners:

Maintenance of Property

Property ownership includes the responsibility for continued maintenance of all structures and grounds that are part of the owner's lot.

1. This includes, but is not limited to, keeping buildings and structures in good condition and repair, removing all debris and unsightly material, and keeping all shrubs, trees, grass and other plantings neatly trimmed, properly cultivated, and free of weeds.
2. Owners will not allow trees, shrubs, or plantings of any kind to overhang or otherwise encroach upon any sidewalk, street, pedestrian way, other owner's property, or common area, from ground level to a height of eight feet, without prior Architectural Review Committee approval.

Failure to comply with this responsibility is a violation of Section V, A14 of the Covenants:

Before, as well as after, construction of a dwelling, the owner shall maintain the lot in a reasonable manner, such as mowing, removing fallen branches, trees and other debris of any kind.

Violations may result in a restoration assessment being levied against the property owner. Additionally, owners will not alter any common area or easements without prior written consent of the Board of Directors. Such alterations include but are not limited to storing personal property, allowing debris to accumulate, establishing gardens, or otherwise adding, removing, or modifying trees or other plantings.

Thanks for your attention to this issue. Have a Safe Summer!