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**To:** BuildingInspection

**Subject:** Property Maintenance notification

Hello,

I am very concerned about the decision to not mail yard violations to the property owners. I am a land lord with several properties in Manitowoc. I always require my tenants to take care of the yard. From time to time they will stop taking care of the yard without my knowledge. I relied on these notices, and I don't have another way to monitor the lawn. This decision will cost me money I don't have. I have always addressed the violations in the past as soon as I get them. I take pride in the condition of my properties and am always bettering the property.

I have had to move away from Manitowoc for work because the economy sucks in Manitowoc. The city keeps making decisions that cost land lords more and more. There just isn't money in renting and being able to upkeep the homes. I would think the city would want to invest into programs that would increase home ownership and keep quality landlords. I have invested 10's of thousands of dollars into my properties only to see the value decrease year over year. The rest of the country has rebounded from the housing crash, why hasn't Manitowoc?

I beg you to reconsider removing these notices. This will be the straw that breaks the camels back. I will sell, take a loss on my properties. Good luck with the new owner keeping up and investing as much as I have in the homes. Maybe invest in email notices or have a violation board landlords can check. There must be a system to notify the property owner besides sending them a bill.

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