



CITY OF MANITOWOC

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September 18, 2025

TO: Mayor and Common Council

FROM: Board of Public Works

SUBJECT: Appeal for Noxious Weed Assessment for property located at 1715 Madison Street

Dear Mayor and Common Council:

At the September 17, 2025 Board of Public Works meeting, the Board met to review the appeal for noxious weed assessment for property located at 1715 Madison Street.

"Moved by Nycz, seconded by Alfred, to deny the appeal and uphold the fine. Ayes, 3. Nays, 3."

Very Truly Yours,

MACKENZIE REED
Secretary Board of Public Works

From: [Mackenzie Reed](#)
To: [Sara Shoman](#)
Cc: [Justin Nickels](#)
Subject: RE: External: invoice S/A WCR025-0048
Date: Tuesday, August 19, 2025 9:39:00 AM
Attachments: [Issue 15411 - 1715 Madison - Final.pdf](#)
[Issue 15371 - Photos.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)

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I have photos for both issues attached. Issue 15371 is the tree/overhanging brush issue, and issue 15411 is the noxious weed issue.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Thank you,



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Invoice S/A WCR025-0048

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Sat, Aug 16, 2025 at 9:59 AM

To: mreed@manitowocwi.gov

Cc: Justin Nickels <jnickels@manitowoc.org>

Ms Reed:

I received a notice that a complaint was filed about noxious weeds. I was given 5 days to remove them. Absolutely no pictures were enclosed, so I didn't have any idea what it was referring to. Pictures were enclosed with the invoice. There were 5 weeds growing directly in front of an unused garage door and a patch on the south side of the garage. I've lived in this house for 27 years and the occupants of the house next door have always cut the patch on the south side of the garage. I truly believed that was their property.

Had pictures been enclosed with the notice, I would have cut the weeds by the garage and questioned the ownership of the property south of my garage.

In any event, \$470 for 5 minutes of trimming seems excessive. Especially when I was not told where the "noxious" weeds were.

I'm enclosing pictures of houses, taken from within my car, all within a block of my house, and wondering if they too were given notices? Or was I singled out for an infraction you really couldn't see from the street?

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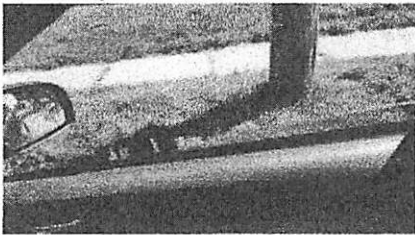
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Issue #(15411)

City of Manitowoc

CK PROPERTY DATE: 7-29-25

Department of Public Infrastructure
Noxious Weed Complaint and Cutting Form

Location: 1715 MADISON ST	Complaint date: <u>7-21-25</u>
Parcel Number: 000333040 (Lot #2758)	Action taken: Letter Bmailed
Owner Name: SHOMAN REV TRUST SARA V VITS	Letter Sent <u>7-21-25</u>
Owner Address: 1715 MADISON ST MANITOWOC WI 54220	Subsequent Complaint (highlight if applicable) If highlighted, proceed to compliance inspection

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COMPLIANCE INSPECTION DATE/TIME/INITIALS: 7/29/25 9 am 54 COMPLIANCE: YES ☒ NO

COMPLIANCE YES OR NO	DATE CUT	EMPLOYEE	START TIME	END TIME	TOTAL HRS	DUMP TIME	DATE BILLED	MINIMUM CHARGE	ADDITIONAL CHARGES
	<u>7/31/25</u>	<u>Fech</u>	<u>7 am</u>	<u>9 am</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>.25</u>			
<u>contractor</u>									

TOTAL \$470.00

7-29-25 > Sent to Contractor

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