

**CITY OF ST CLAIR SHORES
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FORECLOSED AND VACANT – NOW WHAT?

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Complaint Driven

Nuisances, recreational vehicle storage, weed control, temporary signs, junk and debris, missing address, inoperable vehicles ordinance violations.

- 1) Telephone
- 2) Counter
- 3) SPEC – Property Enhancement Committee – volunteers who drive through city listing common violations.
- 4) Email – from anyone or from “Blight Complaint Form” on scsmi.net web site.

Code Enforcement Officer will make an inspection for verification. If violation exists, written or verbal contact with violator shall result. Time allowed for compliance. Failure will result in citation, possible court appearance. City may correct and lien property for expenses. Usually weed cutting, board ups, clean ups.

BLIGHT PROGRAM

Substandard housing or demolition.

Building Official inspects properties, sites violations, provides info to city attorney to commence with demolition proceedings and/or negotiate for repairs to be completed. Will proceed to Circuit Court.

RAT CONTROL PROGRAM

LSI, Landscape Services Inc. completes inspections for rats in designated areas of the city under the direction of the Code Enforcement Supervisor. They inspect for rat harborage in yards and will list other common violations for Code Enforcement to verify and site violation notices.

SPEC

Shores Property Enhancement Committee – a group of volunteers selected by the Mayor. They provide common violations to Code Enforcement. They drive through certain areas of city and list ordinance violations. They meet once a month to discuss code enforcement issues.

FORECLOSED PROPERTIES

Code Enforcement receives a list of mortgage foreclosures from Assessing Department once a month. Six inspections are inserted, one a month for 6 months, typical ending redemption time, for Code Enforcement Officer to inspect for exterior violations. Current property owner is responsible to correct.

As of December 1, 2007, St Clair Shores has 417 vacant homes out of 27,000.

REHAB

When property owner of single family homes have violations for repairs, they are referred to Rehab Program. If qualify, repairs can be completed through a zero-interest deferred loan or a four-percent interest loan.