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# City of Fresno

Department of Planning and Development



Code Enforcement Division

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# City of Fresno Organization Chart



# CODE ENFORCEMENT OVERVIEW:

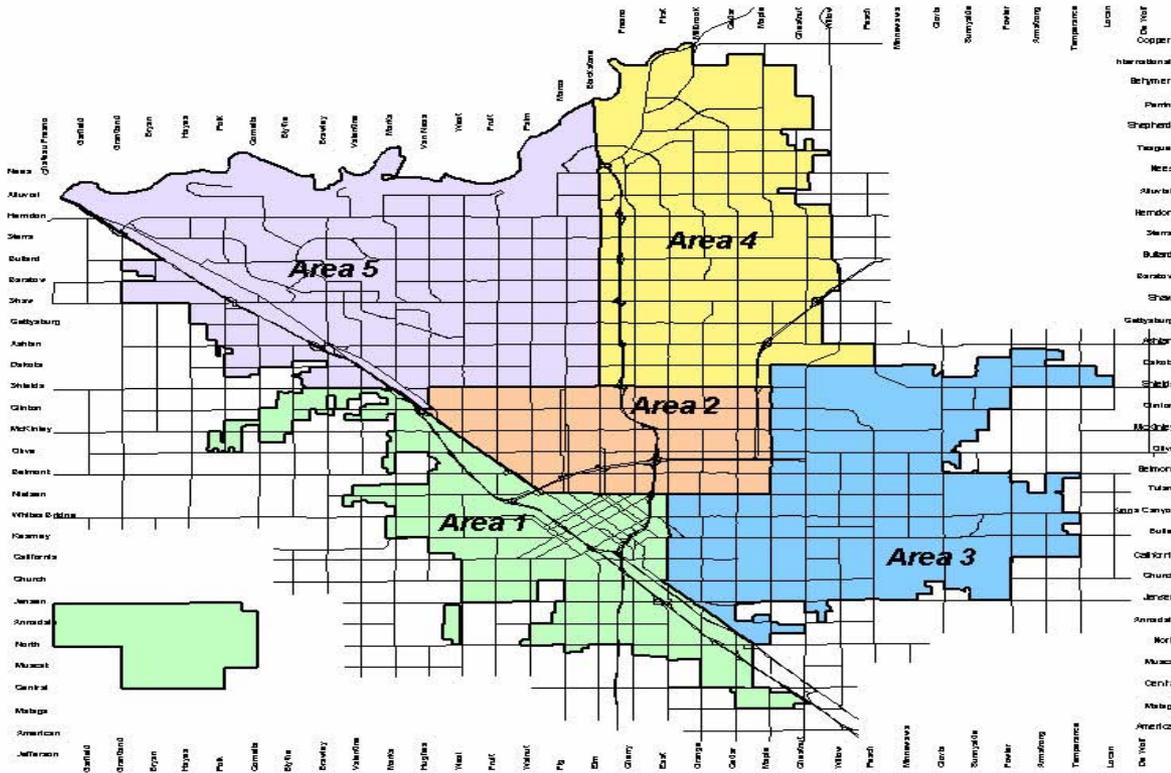


- Calendar year : 2008
  - 23,000 cases City wide
  - Five geographical areas:  
Northwest, Northeast, Central,  
Southwest & Southeast

# Teams

- Clerical/Admin Staff
- Area 1-5 Inspectors: Housing, Public Nuisance & Zoning
- V.B.O. (Housing)
- C.U.P. (Conditional Use Permit)
- Weed Abatement
- Waste Tire
- F.A.I.D. (Illegal Dumping)
- Demolition
- Education/Outreach

# Code Enforcement Inspection Areas September 2001



### Inspection Area Seniors or Supervisors

**Area 1**  
Esko Siipola ext. 2517  
Radio 580, Pager 489-9202

**Area 2**  
Al Brajko vich ext. 4187  
Radio 595, Pager 773-1004

**Area 3**  
Larry Rader ext. 2630  
Radio 594, Cell 960-8209

**Area 4**  
Glenn Lassley ext. 2707  
Radio 577, Pager 489-9201

**Area 5**  
Glenn Lassley ext. 2707  
Radio 577, Pager 489-9201

RRT/Council/Weeds  
Rene' Wakahira ext. 4443  
Radio 570, Cell 285-9156

Code  
Enforcement  
Area  
Map

# City of Fresno Municipal Codes

- The Fresno Municipal Code is a form of statutory law which is established by the City Council.
- It exists to maintain and improve civil order, establish administrative procedures, and to codify existing law.
- The Code has the force of law, however the Code is subordinate to state and federal law.



# Origination of Complaints



- Renters
- Concerned neighbors
- Various agencies reporting sub-standard conditions
- Relatives
- Visitors to property
- General public

# Who is responsible for making repairs?



- The recorded property owner, which is verified by the Fresno County Recorder's office.
- A responsible property management representative.

# Purpose of Housing Code Enforcement

- To actively safeguard and enforce minimum standards of the State Health&Safety Code adopted by the City of Fresno Municipal Code.
- Prevent the deterioration of residential buildings and properties.
- To help reduce blight in our neighborhoods.

# Typical Housing Complaints

## Building

- Leaking Roofs
- Open/Vacant structures
- Damaged flooring including: vinyl, tile and carpeting
- Broken windows, security bars and damaged doors



# Housing Code Enforcement

- Electrical
  - Hot, open electrical components
  - Overloaded systems
  - Hazardous use of extension cords
- Plumbing
  - Open waste lines
  - Potable water cross connections
  - Anti-siphon devices
  - Stopped-up waste lines



# OPEN AND VACANT BUILDING



# Roach Infestation



# Sewer Overflow Violations

- Sewer overflows are considered imminent health/safety violations that are summarily abated.

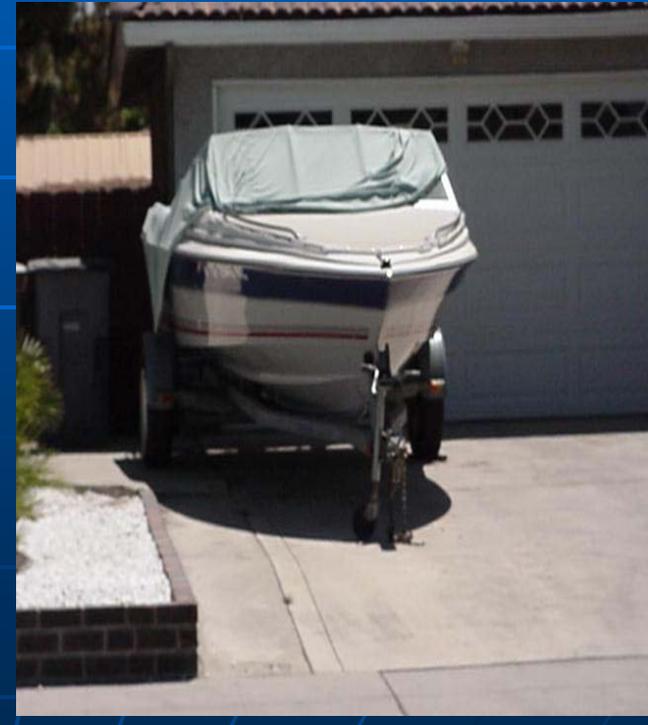


# Public Nuisance and Zoning Violations

A Public Nuisance is anything which could be damaging to the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the city. Public Nuisances also contribute to the deterioration of neighborhoods.

# Recreational Vehicles and Boats/Trailers

- RV and boats are allowed to park on drive way 72 hours per month.



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# Inoperable Vehicles/ Attractive Nuisance Vehicle Repair Violations



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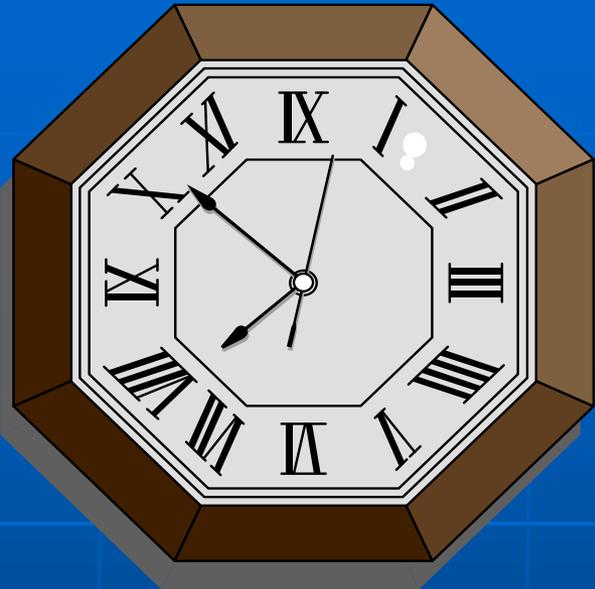
## Parking on unimproved surfaces



# FARM ANIMALS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

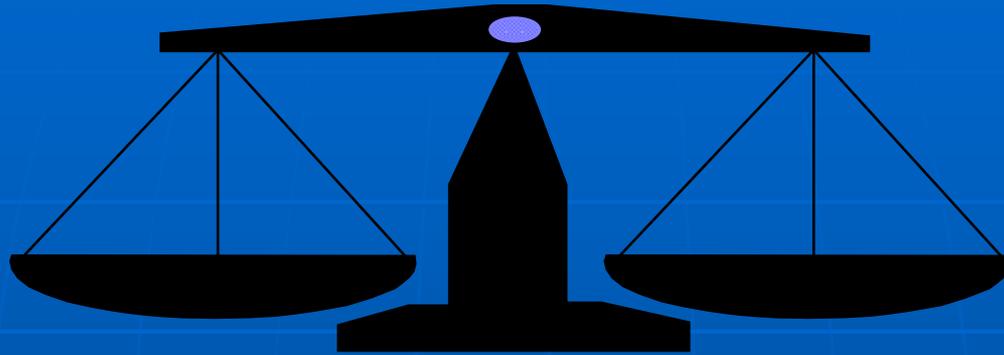


# Notices & Time Frames



- **Notice of Violation**- after the initial inspection, time frames range from immediate to several weeks.
- **Summary Abatement**- after initial inspection, will: board, fence or secure property/ building until repair, rehabilitation or demolition is completed
- **Notice and Order**- after initial inspection, typically a 15 day notice will sent, or file formal recorded notice w/County that dwelling is sub standard.

# Non-Compliance



- After deadline has expired an inspector may:
- Bill for all Code Enforcement administrative fees
  - Issue administrative citations from: \$200/\$500/\$800
  - Failure to complete necessary repairs and/or pay issued citations, or general non-compliance, case may be assigned to City Attorneys' office for more formal legal action.

# Surveillance and Investigation



# Illegal Dumping/Easement Obstructions

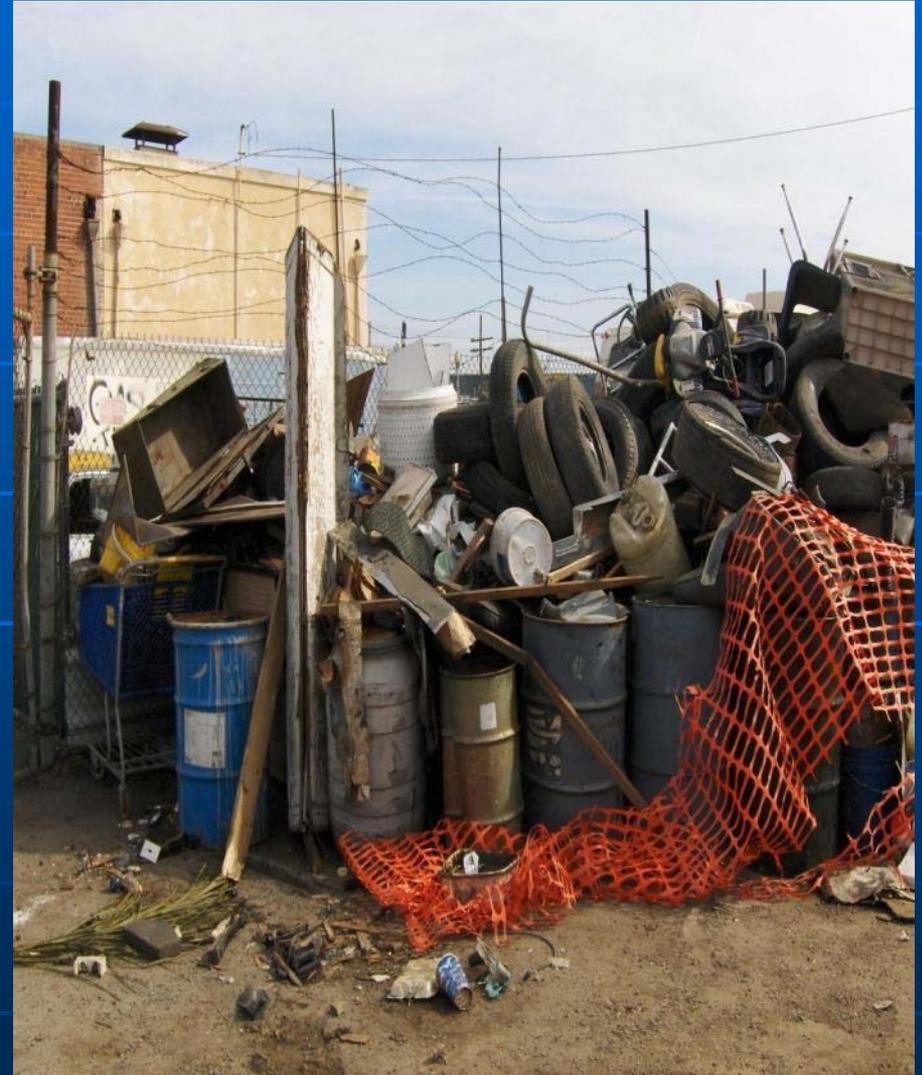


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# Illegal Dumping/Easement Obstructions



# Illegal Dumping





# Investigations



# Illegal Dumping



# Evidence/Testing Collection



# Haz-Mat Team



# Investigations

- Foreclosed Homes
- Alley Dumping
- Kirk photos

# Investigations/ S. Kirk



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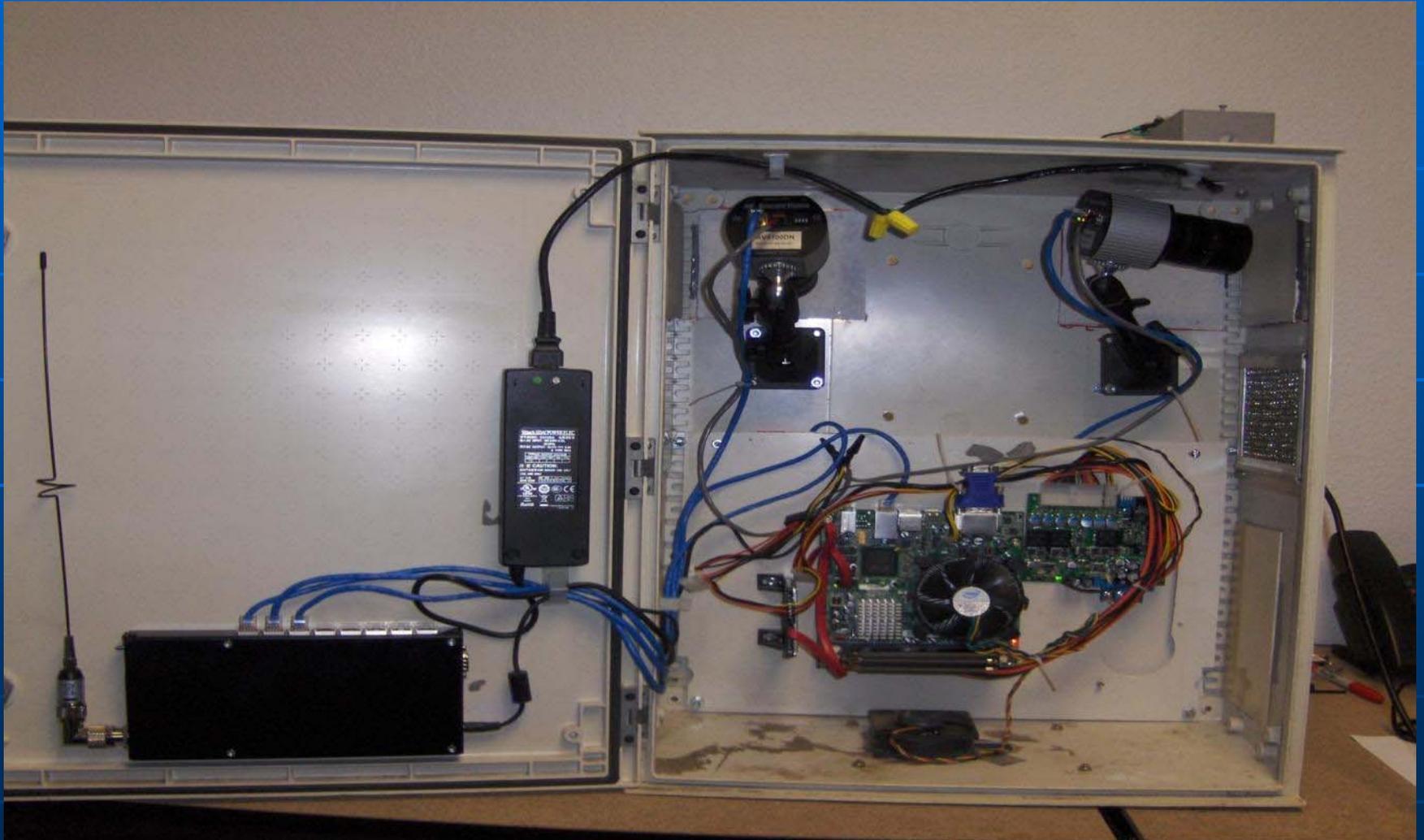


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# Surveillance Equipment



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# Equipment Specifications

- NVR Remote portable video unit/system
- Digital Video Recorder: Windows XP based, Mini-ITX form factor motherboard with 2GB DDR RAM, 500 GB SATA 2.5" HDD, video capture software, micro power supply, custom cooling system to allow for 29-115 Degree temperature range, video capture at up to 120 FPS, resolution up to 2592 x 1944 pixels, time and date stamping, motion activated recording, remote access and control.
- System Housing: Weatherproof lightweight fiberglass enclosure, inconspicuous appearance, room for miniature CPU unit and up to four micro cameras. Custom low noise cooling system.
- Cameras: Two low light day/night, 5- Megapixel day/night. 0.01 lux low light, 60 dB dynamic range, 45 dB signal to noise ratio. TFTP/HTTP Ethernet interface.
- Remote access by high power 900 Mhz wireless data link, non-line of sight capable.

# Alley Case/Before



# Alley Case/After



# Questions & Closing Comments