## CITY OF LINCOLN PARK

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## EXTERIOR INSPECTION CHECK LIST

- 1. **Chimney:** Check for deteriorating or crumbling tops, missing or deteriorated mortar joints. Must have chimney cap.
- 2. **Roof**: Check for leaks, missing shingles and/or small holes that allow the wood to rot underneath causing a structural hazard.
- 3. <u>Gutters</u>: Check that gutter is not sagging or pulling away from fascia board; galvanized type must be painted to retard rust; and that gutters and downspouts do not contain holes or leaking joints. Must have gutters, downspouts and 3' extensions on home and garage.
- 4. **Porches**:
  - (a) Wood Check for any structural problems, deteriorated decking, deteriorated or missing railing, unpainted wood steps which would permit rot or heaving
  - (b) Concrete and/or Brickwork Check for any structural or other significant cracks requiring tuck pointing or repair, excessive settlement, spalling, or tipping affecting safety.
- 5. **Paint**: Check for excessive peeling, blistering or flaking. These areas would require scraping and painting. Permeable wood (beams, doors, etc.) if deteriorating, requires treatment with a preservative.
- 6. **Debris**: Check for debris on premises.
- 7. **Vermin**: Check garage, auxiliary buildings for rat/rodent evidence. Check house foundation if no basement. Rat proofing required for all structures.
- 8. <u>Stairways</u>: Check for rotted wood in inadequate structural conditions which could render stairs unsafe under heavy loads.
- 9. **Handrails**: Check handrails to ensure they are adequately secured and structurally safe. Must be circular grasp.
- 10. **Windows**: Check for rotted wood, broken or cracked glass and proper operation.
- 11. **Doors**: Check for missing hardware, broken doors, cracked glass and peeling paint.
- 12. **Exterior walls**: Shall be free from holes, breaks, and loose or rotting materials; and maintained waterproof and properly surface coated required to prevent deterioration.
- 13. **Foundation:** Check exterior foundation for cracks, tuck-point scrape and paint as needed.
- 14. **Fences**: All fences should be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.
- 15. **Service**: Check for general condition of main service cables and equipment.
- 16. <u>Cement:</u> Trip hazards exceeding half (1/2) of an inch. Flags of concrete with more than 25% damage/deterioration