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GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL APPROVES AMENDMENT TO EXPEDITE CITY CODE ENFORCEMENT

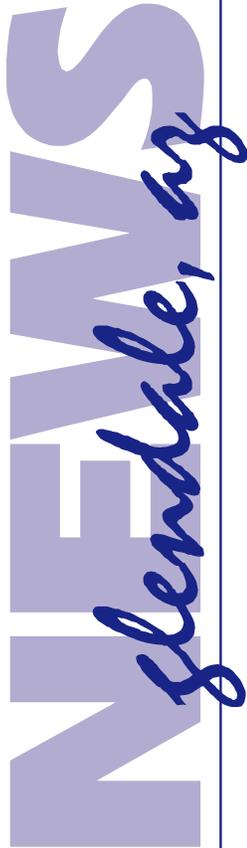
GLENDALE, Ariz. – The Glendale City Council approved an amendment to the city code which will streamline the civil code enforcement process, helping city officials address problem properties in a more efficient manner.

The Code Compliance Department, charged with maintaining safe and healthy neighborhoods, successfully resolved more than 14,300 cases last year. Most cases are resolved through voluntary compliance; however, in instances of noncompliance, court action may be necessary.

The amendment to the code will eliminate a step in the code enforcement process. Code inspectors will now be able to issue civil citations without having to go through other departments, such as the City Court. This new process will especially address the issue of repeat offenders, those who have not addressed their compliance issues who must appear in court. Furthermore, it will make code inspectors' jobs more efficient, and bring forth a quicker resolution for neighborhoods affected by repeat-offending properties.

For more information on Code Compliance and the new amendment to the code, visit www.glendaleaz.com or call 623-930-3610.

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