



May 19, 2015

The Honorable Nelda Martinez
Mayor
City of Corpus Christi
1201 Leopard St.
Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Dear Mayor:

I am writing to provide written support for the adoption of the Corpus Christi Property Maintenance Code. The Corpus Christi Downtown Management District (DMD), established in 1993, is a professional Downtown management district representing property owners and stakeholders within the area bounded by Kinney Street to I-37, and Lower Broadway to the Corpus Christi Marina L and T-Heads. Our mission is to create a successful, vibrant bayfront/seaside Downtown District and positively impact the greater Downtown.

The existing code hasn't been updated since 1973 and doesn't reflect the current needs and challenges our community faces as we work to make it a vibrant, safe and decent place to live and work. We believe the new code will help improve our City and support it for the following reasons:

- The proposed ordinance adopts the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code standards which are based upon best practices.
- The new code will integrate with the other City codes which are also based upon the 2009 standards enabling for better coordination among agencies and permit the Code Enforcement Division to more efficiently enforce code in a uniform fashion.

We believe adopting the new Corpus Christi Property Maintenance Code benefits the City by creating a better, more efficient Code Enforcement Division and will lead to safer buildings and less blight. For these reasons, we urge the City Council to approve the new code.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Sweeney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Terry Sweeney
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