Instructions for Filling out a Service Request

TENANT SERVICE REQUEST: Follow these instructions if you are a tenant with a complaint about the rental unit in which you are living:

EMERGENCY SITUATION (i.e. no heat, no water, no electric, raw sewage, structural failure) (city will determine if it is an emergency):
1. Tenant must try to call the landlord/manager as soon as they are aware of the situation. This should occur before contacting the city.
2. If the landlord/manager is not responsive, call the city at (269) 337-8026. Staff will intake the service request over the phone and assign an inspector. Tenants may also visit the office to file a service request in person.

GENERAL TENANT COMPLAINT (non-emergency):
1. Prior to submitting a service request to the city, a written complaint must be made to the landlord or property manager. Complaints filed earlier that were not in writing must be resubmitted to the landlord in writing, for example by email, written note, letter or text (if you can print your text file). Keep a copy for your records.
2. Provide a reasonable time for the landlord to respond. This will vary by the type of request.
3. After the reasonable response time has passed, if the landlord/manager has not responded, complete and submit a service request form to the city (along with copy of letter provided to landlord).
   - Paper copy of service request can be requested by mail by calling (269) 337-8026
   - Paper copy of service request can be printed from www.kalamazoocity.org/code and dropped off to the office or scanned/emailed to cpd@kalamazoocity.org along with a copy of the written request provided to the landlord/manager or dropped off to the address above.

GENERAL SERVICE REQUEST: Concerned citizens may report a complaint using service request form. Complete the form and submit it to the address above or email to cpd@kalamazoocity.org. If it is not possible to scan/email the form, submit same info in an email to cpd@kalamazoocity.org.
   - Paper copy of service request can be requested by mail by calling (269) 337-8026
   - Paper copy of service request can be printed from www.kalamazoocity.org/code
   - Scanned service request can be emailed to cpd@kalamazoocity.org; or info from form submitted in an email that adequately answer questions from service request form.

Note: Report complaints about trash, trash bins or graffiti by calling the 24-hr hotline at (269) 337-8221. Report tall grass violations to the 24-hr hotline at (269)337-8847 (May through October only).
SERVICE REQUEST

Date: __________ Location of Complaint (Property Address): __________________________________________

Type of Property: Owner Occupied Rental Property Commercial Vacant Lot Unknown

Are you a tenant at this address: YES NO
If you are a tenant, are you being evicted? YES NO
If you are a tenant, have you provided written notice of the conditions to the landlord: YES NO

Important: (Unless the case is an emergency (i.e. no utilities, raw sewage, etc.), tenants must inform landlord in writing of all issues prior to filing a service request. A copy of the written request for repair must be submitted with this form. Drop off or mail to address above or scan/email to email above.)

Property Owner Name/Address/Contact # (if known): __________________________________________________

If Rental, Agent Name/Contact # (if different/known): ________________________________________________

If rental, rent being paid to: ______________________________________________________________

Describe the conditions at the property (attach additional sheets if necessary):

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Print Name: ______________________ Phone Number: ______________________

Address: ______________________

Alternate Phone #: ______________________ Email: ______________________

OFFICE USE ONLY

Assigned Case #: __________ CCN: 06-___________ Qualified Emergency: Y N

Rental Housing (House Related) Code Compliance Owner Occupied Housing Property Trash/Junk
Graffiti Buildings/Trades Programs Zoning Commercial/Industrial Other

This matter assigned to: ________________________________________________________________

Report:

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Outcome:

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Inspector Signature: ______________________ Date Closed: ______________________