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In an effort to improve the health, safety and overall quality of life in the Charlestown community, the Building and Safety Office of the City of Charlestown would like to inform property owners and tenants that starting October 7, the City Code Enforcement Officer will start issuing violation notices for violations of Ordinance 2001?OR?28, as it pertains to restrictions on parking in yards, and Ordinances 1998?11 2008?OR?01 as they pertain to maintaining fences. **Parking in Yards** Parking in yards is only allowed with 25 percent of the total length of the front yard or side setbacks of a property. Parking areas must be maintained with a solid base, i.e. rock, asphalt, gravel or concrete.

Fences

Fences within the city must be kept in good condition and installed in a safe and structurally sound manner. A fence may be constructed of wood, rust?free metal, vinyl or other commercially produced synthetic material so long as it is durable, uniform and not unsightly. Fences must be well?kept and must not devalue neighboring properties.

Should you receive notice of a violation you will be given time to correct the violations; if violations are not corrected within the proscribed amount of time, you will be issued a citation in court and face fines, liens and could face further legal action.

If you have any questions on these or any other property ordinances, please contact Tony Jackson at 502?643?3938.