



IMPORTANT NOTICE: A \$25 FILING FEE MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPEAL, WITHIN THE DEADLINE REFERENCED BY THE BILL.

Checks should be made payable to: City of Milwaukee and a copy of the bill should be included with your appeal

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR CUSTOMERS PAYING BY CHECK

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account, or to process the payment as a check transaction.

IF THE CHARGES HAVE ALREADY APPEARED ON YOUR TAX BILL, THIS APPEAL CANNOT BE FILED.

TO: Administrative Review Board of Appeals
City Hall, Rm. 205
200 E. Wells St.
Milwaukee, WI 53202
(414) 286-2231

DATE: 9/8/25

RE: 3219 W McKinley Blvd Milwaukee, WI
(Address of property in question) 53208

Under ch. 68, Wis. Stats., s. 320-11 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, this is a written petition for appeal and hearing.

I am appealing the administrative procedure followed by Dept of Public Works
(Name of City Department)

Amount of the charges \$ 274.40

Charge relative to: _____

I feel the City's procedure was improper due to the following reasons and I have attached any supporting evidence, including city employee's names/dates which I spoke to regarding this issue and copies of any city orders received:

(please see attached)

Emili Butrin
Signature

emili butrin
Name (please print)

3219 W. McKinley Blvd 53208 616.648.6846
Mailing address and zip code Daytime phone number

emili.butrin@gmail.com
E-Mail Address(es)

Emili Butrin
3219 W McKinley Blvd Milwaukee, WI 53208
616-648-6846
September 8, 2025

After receiving a warning a couple of weeks ago, I trimmed any taller patches of grass, but intentionally left the medicinal and edible plants and flowers growing, including: valerian, burdock, goldenrod, dandelion, phlox, red clover, Queen Anne's lace, snapdragons, and mallow. I am an herbalist employed at a local apothecary, and look at my yard as a gift of abundance! I use the various plants and flowers to make tinctures and salves, brew tea, throw into a salad, and dry roots for the winter. I steward it purposefully to also help the bees, butterflies, and birds (of which there have been many!) and help erosion on our small hill in the front.

I have spoken to several neighbors regarding the situation, including the president of Cold Spring Park Kate Riordan and Alderman Bauman, and everyone has been very supportive of my yard and helpful in trying to get this matter resolved.

I would be more than happy to put small signs up in the front to help educate people on the plants growing, what their names are and how they can help us humans.

Thank you very much!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Emili Butrin', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Emili Butrin



Department of Public Works - Operations Division
Zeidler Municipal Building - 841 N. Broadway, Room 620 - Milwaukee, WI 53202
TELEPHONE: 414-286-CITY (2489)

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September 04, 2025

EMILI BUTRIN
JONATHAN BUTRIN
3219 W MCKINLEY BLVD
MILWAUKEE, WI 53208

Record ID: **PWCF-25-05748**
Violation: **Tall Grass and Weeds**
Address: **3217 W MC KINLEY BL**
Taxkey: **3651419000**
Notice Date: **07/31/2025**
Amount Due: **\$274.70**

Your property has been found in violation of City of Milwaukee Ordinance No. 80-17, states that no weeds of any kind shall be permitted to grow or stand more than 7 inches on any property in the city.

\$274.70 is now due. Future violations of this ordinance will result in escalating fees.

Pay Online

(Credit /Debit Card or E-Check)

milwaukee.gov/dpwpayment

Enter the Record ID # found on the coupon below.

Pay In Person

(Cash or Check only)

Present coupon below with payment during normal working hours:

OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER
AT CITY HALL
200 E WELLS ST

Pay by Mail

(Check or Money Order only)

Send coupon below with check or money order to:

OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER
200 E WELLS ST
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202

If not paid within 30 days, an additional \$25 administrative fee will be incurred and added to your next property tax bill. If you fail to pay the full amount of your property tax bill, including the special assessments and charges, your property will be eligible for in rem tax foreclosure action by the City of Milwaukee under Section 75.521, Wisconsin State Statutes, or you may be subject to a personal civil action by the City of Milwaukee under Section 74.53, Wisconsin State Statutes.

To appeal these charges, print the appeal application available online at milwaukee.gov/appealform. You may also request an appeal application by calling (414) 286-CITY(2489). Return the appeal application along with the \$25 appeal filing fee to the Administrative Review Appeals Board, 200 E Wells St, Rm 205, **within 120 days** of the date of this letter.

By law, written notification to property owners/tenants in violation of this ordinance is not required. As a courtesy, a notice was posted on your property (unless that property is a vacant lot) for compliance. To sign up for email notifications of Forestry and Sanitation Services property violations; visit milwaukee.gov/enotify and subscribe to location based service notifications.

If you have any questions regarding these charges, please contact the City of Milwaukee Call Center at (414) 286- CITY (2489). You can search for current charges against your property and pay online at milwaukee.gov/lms.

Please detach and return with payment for City of Milwaukee DPW Tall Grass and Weeds Charge

A \$25 administrative fee will be added if not paid by: 10/03/2025

Bill To

EMILI BUTRIN
JONATHAN BUTRIN
3219 W MCKINLEY BLVD
MILWAUKEE, WI 53208

Record ID PWCF-25-05748

Amount Due \$274.70

Make Checks

City of Milwaukee

Payable To

In person payments can be made at:
Office of the City of the Treasurer
City Hall, Room 103
200 E Wells Street

Mail To

Office of the City of Treasurer
PO Box 514062
Milwaukee, WI 53203-3462

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Receipt of ARBA Fee

Date:	9/10/25
Received Of:	Emili Butrin
Property at:	3219 W. McKinley Blvd.
Received By:	LME
Check # (If Applicable):	Cash
Amount:	\$25.00

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