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- The current correction process can take more than nine months from the initial inspection to the final court disposition. The new process will cut that time to as little as 90 days.
- A hearing officer will adjudicate citations issued to property owners in violation of County code.
- Property owners issued a citation will be responsible for abating a violation and paying a fine and may face further action. Property owners who don't comply may be referred to the Adjudication Unit.

Administrative Hearing Process Adjudication Unit

- The Adjudication Unit has the power to issue summonses, notices and default orders.
- The unit will hear a variety of complaints such as unlicensed vehicles, tall grass, flaking paint and operating a business in a residential area.
- Hearings will provide the opportunity for the parties to contest the citations. Parties also will have the opportunity to present testimony and evidence.
- Upon completion of the hearing, the Adjudication Unit hearing officer will review the evidence, determine the findings and issue a written decision.
- Civil and monetary fines can be assessed, and the respondent can be ordered to abate the violation.



Hearings will be held at least three days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



The Nuisance Abatement Board was created to address public nuisances in neighborhoods such as noise pollution, events in homes for which admission is charged, drug manufacturing and sales, gang activity, etc.

Nuisance Abatement Board Process

- Complaints are referred to the Nuisance Abatement Board from the local, county or state agency to which they were reported.
- The board then holds hearings.
- If a public nuisance is found to have existed, a fine may be assessed up to \$500 for the first violation and \$1000 for the second.
- In some cases, police may issue a criminal citation.



Nuisance Abatement Board

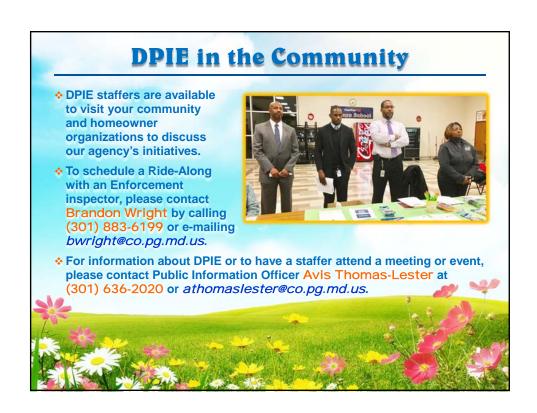
Those responsible for conducting activities that endanger the health/life/safety or obstruct the quiet enjoyment and reasonable use of property of persons in a particular area may be summoned to appear before the Nuisance Abatement Board.



- A hearing is conducted to provide the opportunity for the parties to present testimony/evidence that sufficient evidence exists to move forward with the hearing or does not.
- Upon completion of the hearing, the Board reviews the evidence, determines the findings and issues a written notice to the parties.







| Permitting and Licensing Division | 301-636-2050 |
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| Building Plan Review Division | |
| Site/Road Plan Review Division | 301-636-2060 |
| Inspections Division (Building/ Construction Standards) | 301-636-2080 or 301-883-3820 |
| Enforcement Division | 301-636-2090 or 301-883-6168 |
| Rental Licensing | 301-883-3840 |
| Other Import | ant Numbers |
| Register Complaints | 3-1-1 Call Center |
| Abandoned Vehicles | |
| Animal Management | |
| Bulky Trash | |
| Refuse, Recycling and Yard Waste | |
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