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Get Those Christmas Lights Down Now and Your Frost Damaged Plants Can Wait

(PHOENIX) – City Property Management, one of the largest HOA management companies in the Valley and locally owned, has some advice for homeowners in January.

Rules vary within Homeowners Associations as to when you need to remove your Christmas lights. The weekend after New Year's is the time when most homeowners get on their ladders and get to work.

Some HOA's will set a deadline for lights to come down, others are more lenient. Often times neighborhood complaints can trigger enforcement actions. More flamboyant displays tend to trigger neighborhood complaints if they remain up beyond January. If the cold weather or other circumstances prevents you from taking down your lights, check with your HOA.

Frost damaged plants may not look very attractive, but landscaping experts agree, don't start pruning until late February.

“That's because the top layers of foliage shield the base of the plant from frost, and pruning too soon only makes the situation worse. HOA's are aware of this fact and any rules on removing plants that appear to be dead generally suspended this time of year,” said Brian Lincks, vice president of City Property Management.



Lincks adds by the time April rolls around, it's a good idea to address that dead foliage. If you have a very large plant or tree that has died, it is usually a good idea to contact your HOA and let them make plans for removal.

City Property currently manages more than **286 homeowner associations** in Arizona, some for as long as 20 years. City Property believes Valley

residents often have peace of mind knowing a Valley family with more than 160 employees is managing their day-to-day comfort as well as the long-term preservation and enhancement of their neighborhoods.

City Property Management is located at 4645 E. Cotton Gin Loop in Phoenix, Arizona 85040. To set-up an interview with a representative of City Property Management contact Jennifer Parks 480.495.3806. For more information call 602-437-4777 or visit us online at <http://www.cityproperty.com/>.

About City Property Management

Since 1979, City Property Management has provided professional community management at planned unit developments, single-family communities, townhomes and condominiums throughout the greater Phoenix area, as well as several smaller cities throughout Maricopa and Pinal counties. City Property Management clients benefit from 30 years of experience in planning and growing communities as well as a knowledgeable team of employees who are fully certified in Arizona. All community managers—many who have been with the company for more than a decade—receive continuing education. City Property Management is a member of the Arizona Association of Community Managers, Home Builders Association of Central Arizona, Community Association Institute and Institute of Real Estate Management.