

WEST 86TH

Don't buy the house, buy the neighborhood.

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Bylaws & Covenants Update



Did you know our current Covenants and Bylaws were written back in the 1990s? Let's just say... a lot has changed since dial-up internet and cargo shorts were trending.

That's why a dedicated group of 21 neighbors, led by **Brian Shapiro as Committee Chair**, has been hard at work rewriting and modernizing our governing documents. They will use the month of July to finalize their recommendations before sharing the updated draft with the HOA Board. From there, we'll be inviting the entire neighborhood to join Town Halls later this summer to walk through the proposed changes — ahead of a final community-wide vote.

What's Being Updated?

- Clearer, more modern language throughout
- Smarter and more flexible home improvement guidelines
- More realistic enforcement and compliance processes
- Better alignment with how we actually live and communicate today
- Thoughtful updates to community standards that reflect today's needs

Stay tuned for upcoming Town Hall invites — and get ready to help shape the next chapter of West 86th!

Got Garlic Mustard?

Garlic mustard is a fast-spreading invasive plant that crowds out native species. Right now is the perfect time to pull **first-year plants** — they appear as low rosettes with round, scalloped leaves. Removing them now helps prevent next year's bloom and spread.

Be careful not to confuse garlic mustard with native look-alikes like **Wild Ginger** or **Common Blue Violet**, which are beneficial and should be left alone. Not sure? **Crush a leaf** — if it smells like garlic or onions, it's likely garlic mustard.

Need help identifying invasive plants? Just email and we can help!





Neighborhood #HotTakes

Information that is no longer an unsolved mystery...

◆ #InCaseYouMissedIt:

Don't forget to sign up for Indy's annual No Solicitation list to keep unwanted door-knockers away. It only takes a minute and renews each year!

💧 Splash Responsibly

🏖️ Etiquette Reminder

👉 Be respectful of others enjoying the space

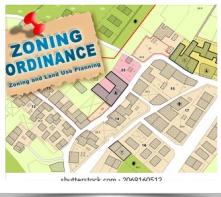
👀 Keep an eye on kids and clean up after yourselves

☂️ **Please lower umbrellas when you're done** — sudden wind gusts can turn them into flying poolside missiles!



Lake'n It Easy 🚫

Enjoying the lake? Please be respectful of the private properties along the shoreline. Many waterfront yards are privately owned, so avoid walking through or setting up in those spaces without permission. Let's keep things friendly and neighborly — on land and water!



🏠 Zoned and Proud!

Great news, neighbors — we've officially secured **all required signatures** to update the zoning of a portion of our neighborhood that was previously designated as **D-3** (a zoning type that allows for higher-density development, like smaller lots or multi-family units).

That area will now be **zoned consistently with the rest of West 86th**, helping preserve the character of our community and reduce the risk of future high-density developments. More to come from the City!

🎯 Why it matters:

- Maintains our current lot sizes and residential feel
- Deters incompatible development
- Strengthens our voice in future city planning decisions

This success is a powerful example of what we can accomplish when we **work together as a community**. Thank you to the Mamlin's for leading the effort, Board Member Stephanie for Notarizing on the spot, and every neighbor who signed, shared, and supported this effort — your voices made a difference - zoning victory unlocked! 🏆

Stronger Together: IMPD and W86

Your HOA Board and the Security Committee has been actively partnering with IMPD to support neighborhood safety and visibility. We've recently:

- Hosted multiple **IMPD roll calls** at the clubhouse to connect residents with the officers who patrol our area.
- Collaborated on a **community Crime Watch meeting** with valuable updates and safety tips.
- Helped IMPD **close 4 mail theft cases** through strong communication and neighbor involvement.

We're grateful for this growing partnership and will continue to support efforts that protect and strengthen our community.

📦 #GearingUp

Our Annual Meeting is coming this November — and we'd love to see as many neighbors attend as possible!

Can't make it? No problem! A **proxy form will be sent via DocuSign**, and you can designate **anyone you trust** to vote on your behalf. Make sure your contact info is current. Stay tuned!

