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## Neighbor gets 3 years for sex with teen girl

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A Winthrop Harbor man will serve three years in prison after admitting to having a sexual relationship **with** an underage girl last summer.

Robert Padovano, 21, of 1512 7th St. pleaded guilty Thursday to aggravated criminal sexual abuse, a Class 2 offense.

Lake County prosecutors said Padovano was involved **with** a 15-year-old neighbor, starting in July and ending in August.

Police were called in after the girl's parents discovered text messages from Padovano on her phone. Further investigation revealed that she and Padovano were having sex.

As a part of the plea, Padovano is required to register as a sex offender.