

City of Brisbane

Staff Report

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Shane Lauderdale, Deputy Fire Chief-Support & Administrative Services Bureau
Via Ron D. Myers, Fire Chief

Subject: Weed and Flammable Waste Abatement

Date: Meeting of July 20, 2017

Purpose:

To reduce the threat of fire created by weeds and flammable waste located on private property.

Recommendation:

1. Open the Public Hearing and hear any objections by noticed property owners of properties on which a nuisance has been declared to exist.
2. Close the Public Hearing and sustain or overrule any objections which have been raised.
3. Give direction to Enforcement Officer to abate the properties that have not complied with the notice.

Background:

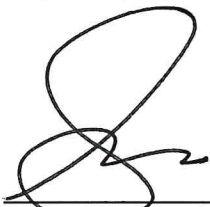
In April of 2009, the City Council adopted an ordinance establishing a procedure for the abatement of weeds and flammable wastes that create a fire hazard. Further, the ordinance establishes the process by which abatement is accomplished for those properties that do not comply with the ordinance, enabling the City to recover its costs associated with bringing the property in compliance, through levying an assessment against the property on which the abatement work has been performed. The ordinance mandates that those properties not in compliance as of the due date receive a letter by mail, which provides the date and time for the public hearing, whereby a property owner can state why they should not be a part of the weed abatement requirements and abatement process.

Discussion:

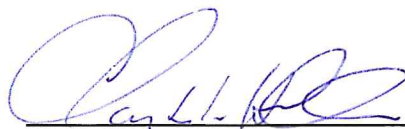
After the compliance due date of June 1, 2017, a list of properties on which weeds or flammable waste materials remain unabated, and constitute a fire hazard nuisance, was reviewed by the Fire Chief and notices sent to the property owners as required by ordinance.

Fiscal Impact:

There are no fiscal impacts.



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City Manager