



Code Enforcement Liens for Unpaid Accounts of Administrative and Abatement Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Community & Economic Development

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BACKGROUND

- The Administrative Code Enforcement Program was adopted by the City Council on July 13, 1999, establishing a means for cost recovery for Code Enforcement processes.
- The City is required to conduct a public hearing on the nuisance abatement costs.
- Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Press Enterprise on June 22, 2021.



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CODE ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

- For Fiscal Year 2020-2021, the Code Enforcement Division has processed approximately 11,714 cases.
- The total number of properties with uncollected administrative and abatement costs under consideration today is 87 properties – this represents less than 1% of all cases.
- After utilizing all means of notification, invoicing, and collection efforts to recover costs from the property owners without success, the City may attach a lien on the respective properties for the unpaid balances that are thirty (30) days past due.



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SUMMARY OF FINES

- The City would recover approximately \$307,145.67 in unpaid balances.

Exhibit	Account Title	Account Number	Amount
A	Abatement of Dangerous Buildings	0000101-340401	\$ 61,780.86
B	Rubbish, Refuse, Trash/Debris or Waste Matter Abatements	0000101-362300	\$ 107,663.69
C	Weed and Brush Nuisance Abatements	0000101-362100	\$ 111,721.23
D	Administrative Costs	0000224-353700	\$ 25,979.89
Total amount for Exhibits A-D			\$ 307,145.67



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Conduct the Public Hearing;
2. Approve the accounting of the administrative and abatement costs totaling approximately \$307,145.67 as set forth in Attachments 1-4 shown as Exhibits A-D of the Resolutions; and
3. Adopt four separate Resolutions (Attachments 1-4) assessing the costs and establishing the liens upon the respective parcels of real property to allow for cost recovery of the unpaid balances.



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