



Elgin City Council Meeting Agenda Item Executive Summary

ITEM: Review and general discussion of the provisions of City Code Article II – Weeds, Wild Growth, and Unsanitary Conditions and city policies, procedures, and/or issues related to the enforcement of same

DEPARTMENT: City Manager/Code Enforcement

PROPOSED ACTION:

No Council action proposed or requested at this time; This item is for a wide-ranging discussion and Q&A between Council and the staff as it relates to city policies and procedures for enforcement of code provisions as it relates to maintenance (and in particular grass mowing) of private properties.

BACKGROUND:

Discussed at previous meetings; This item is for a staff presentation and ensuing discussion of general procedures regarding the enforcement of City Code Article II – Weeds, Wild Growth, and Unsanitary Conditions.

In the past, the city has been liberal and “generous” in its interpretation of the code as it relates to violators; which has resulted in an enforcement effort that is not cost-effective and has appeared at times to be inconsistent. As we enter a new mowing season, however, it is the staff’s goal to be more aggressive and consistent in its enforcement practices; and to do so in a way that is more cost-effective for city operations.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for this item was { } included { } not included in the current-year budget {X} N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Full discussion and review of City Code Article II – Weeds, Wild Growth, and Unsanitary Conditions and related city policies and procedures; and direction to staff, if any, regarding same.

ATTACHMENTS:

- {X} Staff will be making a detailed presentation on this agenda item at the meeting.**
- { } Staff will provide brief comments and answer questions on this item at the meeting.**
- { } This is a routine procedural item and no presentation is planned for the meeting.**

Councilmembers who have any detailed questions or would like to request additional information regarding this item are encouraged to contact the City Manager at their earliest convenience.