



**CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

Meeting Date: December 4, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: B. Francis, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance 18-15 Provide Alternative Process and Procedure for Code Enforcement Citations

Background: The current Code Enforcement process and procedures follow FS 162.01 to 162.13. Under these procedures, the Code Enforcement Officer notifies the record owner of the offending property in writing and demand that such owner cause the condition to be remedied. The notice is given by both physical posting on the property in the title of "property owner" and by delivery to the owner or owners as their names and addresses are shown upon the records of the county property appraiser. Then there is a time period before the violation can go to the special magistrate for action. Any time during this process, if the owner corrects the deficiency, then the notice goes away. This can cost the City time and money.

In speaking with the City Attorney's Office, there is a supplemental process to the procedures that the City can use to cite a violator and have that person pay a fine within 10 days just as they would a parking ticket. The City Staff believes that this is a better way to handle code violations in a more expeditious manner.

Staff Recommendation: Read Ordinance 18-15 for the first time and move the ordinance forward for a second reading.

Suggested Motion: I move that we move Ordinance 18-15 to a second reading and adoption at the next Council Meeting.

Alternatives: Do not approve ordinance and continue the process as it is.

Fiscal Impact: TBD

Attachments: Ordinance 18-15