



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

Meeting Date: November 13, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: B. Francis, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance to 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: Discuss the new procedures and process. If it's the direction Council would want to take, then move forward with passing the proposed ordinance.

Suggested Motion: None Needed. Just consensus to move forward

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

Fiscal Impact: TBD

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance