



Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date: March 9, 2026	Submitted by: Michelle Bailey Hedgepeth, Town Administrator
Item Title:	
Resolution 12-2026: <i>A Resolution for the Town of Bladensburg declaring April as No Mow April</i>	
Work Session Item [X] Council Meeting Item [X]	Documentation Attached: Resolution
Recommended Action:	
Staff recommends the passage of this support resolution.	
Item Summary: In response to an idea that was brought up by Lois Kenkel and supported by the Town's Green Team the Town will be asking the Council to support a "No Mow April". The Town will provide signage to residents who choose to participate and they penalties for exceeding the height of grass will be suspended. Code Enforcement Supervisor Rhinehart spoke with the municipalities of College Park, University Park, and Greenbelt about their implementation of these programs which support pollinators in the early spring. The Resolution has the following highlights: 1. The month of April shall be officially declared "No Mow April" in the Town of Bladensburg. 2. During the month of April, residents are encouraged to refrain from mowing their lawns to support pollinator habitats and promote biodiversity. 3. Penalties for exceeding the height of grass in residential areas during the month of April shall be temporarily suspended for residents who notify the Town of their intent to participate. 4. The Town of Bladensburg shall actively promote No Mow April through public announcements, social media campaigns, and community events to raise awareness and encourage participation. 5. Residents are encouraged to utilize resources and information provided by the town to adopt pollinator-friendly lawn care practices beyond the month of April. 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage. If there are any questions the Town Administrator will answer any questions.	
Budgeted Item: Yes [] No [] NA Budgeted Amount: One-Time Cost: NA Ongoing Cost: NA	Continued Date:
Council Priority: Yes [] No []	Approved Date: