

# STAFF REPORT

## CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council Regular Session MEETING DATE: March 15, 2022

**FROM:** L. J. Arnold III, City Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Passage of attached Ordinance No. O-10-2022 on first reading as to form only to authorize

the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Program for Code Violation Abatement and Recovery of

City Costs.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City Council requested staff to begin the process of collecting City nuisance abatement costs from property owners as a non-ad valorem special assessment on their annual property tax bills. The attached Ordinance establishes this program upon passage. The next step will be entering into an Agreement between the Clay County Property Appraiser, Collector and the City. It is anticipated that these Non-Ad Valorem Assessments will begin to show up on property tax bills in November, 2022. The City previously passed Resolution No.: R-33-2021 to begin this process as required by state law.

### FISCAL IMPACT

Once this program is established the City should collect more of our out of pocket nuisance abatement costs. We will also continue with collection efforts for code enforcement fines and liens when this program does not apply.

### RECOMMENDATION

Move to approve Ordinance No.: O-10-2022 on first reading as to form only.