



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

FROM: Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO – Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer

DATE OF MEETING: July 8, 2024

ITEM TITLE: Resolution to Assess Property Owner(s) for Chapter 52 Mowing of Properties - Failure to Comply

BACKGROUND:

I received an email stating that City Employees mowed a property in June 2024. I sent an invoice to the property tax address along with copies of the City Code and resolution showing the fee schedule. The invoice was returned to the City Clerk's office on July 1, 2024. This property was a first-time offender for 2024. It was mowed and invoiced before the new fee structure was adopted by the Council.

DISCUSSION:

This resolution will be sent to the Buchanan County Treasurer's office so that this amount can be added to the property taxes. Once the County receives payment, it will pay the City the following month.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Support and Empower Workforce, Engaging and Catalyzing Community, and Developing and Reviving Independence. This item helps achieve that vision by supporting staff to make Independence an attractive place to live.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

There is no cost to provide this information to the Buchanan County Treasurer

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the resolution to assess property owner(s) for Chapter 52, Mowing of Properties – Failure to Comply.