

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: January 3, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Community Sustainability

TITLE:

Ordinance No. 2022-26 – Second Reading -- Amending Subsection (g) "Maintenance Requirements" of Section 2-75.11 "Foreclosed, Vacant and Unimproved Property Registration Program" of Article VII "Abatement of Nuisances" of Chapter 2 "Administration"

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance serves as a clean up item to remove the allowance for artificial turf on vacant, unimproved lots so that there is consistency with the City's Landscape Regulations of Chapter 23 - Land Development Regulations

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

With the City's adoption of updated Landscape Regulations in August 2013 and additional amendments over the past several years, a conflict between these regulations and those governing foreclosed, vacant and unimproved properties became apparent. In Chapter 2 "Administration", artificial turf is listed as an acceptable material for use on vacant lots. Subsequently, the adoption of the landscape regulations, which prohibits the use of artificial turf, resulted in a conflict that is now being corrected. Since the landscape regulations were adopted after the vacant lot maintenance requirements, the prohibition of artificial turf takes precedence. The removal of "artificial turf" will bring consistency and clarity to the Code of Ordinances.

At its meeting of December 6, the Commission unanimously voted to move the ordinance forward to a public hearing and second reading on January 3, 2023.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Ordinance No. 2022-26 Amending Subsection (g) "Maintenance Requirements" of Section 2-75.11 "Foreclosed, Vacant and Unimproved Property Registration Program" of Article VII "Abatement of Nuisances" of Chapter 2 "Administration".

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis – N/A
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