

## **DRAFT RESOLUTION 2023-**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS DECLARING CERTAIN HAZARDOUS VEGETATION GROWING IN THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, DESCRIBING PROPERTIES WHERE SUCH NUISANCE EXISTS; ORDERING ABATEMENT AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF JANUARY 16, 2024 TO CONSIDER OBJECTIONS FOR PROPOSED ABATEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Section 39501 and Section 39502 of the Government Code of the State of California authorize the Town of Los Gatos to prescribe a procedure for compelling the owner, lessees or occupant of buildings, grounds, or lots to remove hazardous vegetation (weeds) from such buildings or grounds and adjacent sidewalks, and, upon his failure to do so, to remove such hazardous vegetation (weeds) at owner's expense, making the cost thereof a lien upon such property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Los Gatos, by ordinance, has adopted such a procedure, codified in Chapter 11, Article II, Sections 11.20.010 through 11.20.045 of the Los Gatos Town Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Town Council hereby finds that hazardous vegetation "weeds," as that term is defined in Section 11.20.010, are growing upon and adjacent to private property within the Town of Los Gatos, and declares that all hazardous vegetation (weeds) growing upon any private property or properties, and in any sidewalk street, or alley within the Town of Los Gatos are a public nuisance and should be abated.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that unless such nuisance be abated by the destruction or removal of such hazardous vegetation (weeds) within thirty (30) days after the adoption of this resolution, or within the time specified in a written agreement with the Town of Los Gatos Director of Parks and Public Works, or their representative, whichever time shall be later, as provided in Chapter 11, Article II, of the Los Gatos Town Code, the Town of Los Gatos shall cause such nuisance to be abated, and the expense thereof assessed upon the lots and lands from which, or in the front and rear of which, such hazardous vegetation (weeds) shall have been destroyed or removed, such expense constituting a lien upon such lots or lands until paid, and to be collected upon the next tax roll upon which general municipal taxes are collected.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director shall execute a "Notice to Destroy Hazardous Vegetation (Weeds)" in the form set forth in Section 11.20.020(b) and shall cause same to be published and posted in the manner prescribed by Section 11.20.020(c).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024 at a meeting of the Town Council beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 110 E. Main Street, Los Gatos, California, and via Teleconference, a public hearing will be held during which all property owners in the Town of Los Gatos having any objections to the proposed destruction or removal of such hazardous vegetation (weeds) will be heard and given due consideration.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos, California, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 by the following vote:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

SIGNED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS  
LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS  
LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_