



AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| MEETING NAME: | City Council Meeting |
| MEETING DATE: | October 7, 2024 |
| ITEM TITLE: | Consider and take appropriate action on ordinance to amend Article 6.03. |
| STAFF INITIATOR: | Tara Tomlinson, Director of Development Services |

BACKGROUND:

In conjunction with the adoption of the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code, the City is proposing an update to Article 6.03, currently titled “Stagnant Water, Weeds, and Rubbish.” We plan to amend the title to “Unwholesome Conditions,” allowing us to clearly distinguish between specific violations related to stagnant water, weeds, and rubbish. This change aims to reduce confusion among residents regarding their particular violations.

Additionally, the revised article will address more frequent issues encountered by code enforcement, including fences, drainage violations, and unsanitary conditions. The abatement process, notification procedures (reworded for clarity), and penalties will remain consistent. Importantly, the ordinance will also expand the “Emergency Abatements” section to include rubbish that poses a health risk.

EXHIBITS:

1. Ordinance
2. Original Article 6.03

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommends approval of the ordinance to amend Article 6.03.