

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WEED AND RUBBISH
ABATEMENT BY THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FIRE
DEPARTMENT
STAFF PRESENTER: TOBY REY, FIRE INSPECTOR
FIRE DEPARTMENT
AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

ISSUE(S)

Shall the City Council in accordance with Chapter 9-08 of the Santa Rosa City Code authorize the Fire Department to abate all weeds and rubbish on or upon private property within the City of Santa Rosa?

BACKGROUND

1. Chapter 9-08 of the Santa Rosa City Code requires a public hearing to hear all objections or protests to the proposed removal of weed and rubbish upon property that such a public nuisance has been declared to exist.
2. The City Council grants or overrules any such protests.
3. The City Council, then, by resolution, authorizes the Fire Department to abate all weeds and rubbish on or upon private property within the City of Santa Rosa.

ANALYSIS

1. Chapter 9-08 of the Santa Rosa City Code requires the abatement of weeds and rubbish as a public nuisance.
2. The Santa Rosa Fire Department, as directed by the City Council, abates weeds and rubbish on or upon private property within the City of Santa Rosa subsequent to notifying property owners.
3. Over 2,500 notices are sent each year. Over 200 of those parcels are abated annually by the Fire Department.

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4. Abatement enforcement proceedings commence May 1st and continue throughout the fire season, generally until November 1.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council, by resolution, authorize the Fire Department to abate weeds and rubbish as required by Chapter 9-08 of the Santa Rosa City Code.

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Attachments: None