

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Jason Simpson, City Manager

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Date: July 25, 2023

Subject: Approve Placing Delinquent Nuisance Abatement Charges on the Tax Roll

Recommendation

Adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING CONFIRMATION OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AGAINST PARCELS OF LAND WITHIN THE PUBLIC NUISANCE ABATEMENT COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24.

Background

The City of Lake Elsinore administers nuisance abatement activities in accordance with Chapter 8.18 of the Lake Elsinore Municipal Code. The City strives to obtain voluntary compliance by property owners to remedy public nuisance violations; but when violations persist, the City's enforcement actions escalate to obtain abatement warrants allowing the City to abate the public nuisances directly. When City abatement actions are required, the City bills the owners of these parcels to recover the abatement costs, plus incidental expenses. If the owners do not respond to the billing request, the City must place a lien on the property to recover its costs. Staff requests Council approval of a Resolution to allow the City to accomplish the foregoing for Fiscal Year 2023-24. If approved, staff will record a Notice of Lien against the properties, provide notice to the property owners, and forward the adopted Resolution and Notice of Lien to the Riverside County Treasurer-Tax Collector to add the delinquent unpaid assessments to the next regular tax bills.

Discussion

As of July 25, 2023, there are four parcels with an outstanding amount totaling \$16,862.10 associated with the cost of nuisance abatement. Due to these delinquent accounts, staff requests consideration for the outstanding charges to be placed on the property tax roll. Following the procedures set forth in Section 8.18.130 of the Lake Elsinore Municipal Code and applicable state law, these costs will be submitted to the County Tax Assessor's Office for reimbursement if

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approved. A list of delinquent properties abated by the City is included as Exhibit A to the Resolution.

Fiscal Impact

Other than staff time, all costs associated with the abatement of these delinquent properties will be placed on the property tax rolls for payment.

Attachments

Attachment 1- Resolution for Nuisance Abatement Exhibit A - FY 2023-24 Nuisance Abatement Roll Attachment 2 - NOPH Nuisance Abatement