

Responses to Council Questions and Comments

10/7/2024

Item #6: Public Hearing and Action to Adopt a Resolution Confirming the Cost of Abatement of Hazardous Vegetation and Rubbish and Confirming Approval of the Forwarding of Unpaid Bills to the County Assessor’s Office for Collection as Assessments

- **Question:** We had to do more weed abatement this year than last and it included mostly hand labor. Which properties were these and are there any stories behind the lack of compliance? Financial needs?
 - **Response:** Only one owner has expressed financial needs. This was brought to our attention after bills had been sent to the assessor's office. Our office referred them to the County to work on a payment plan.
 - The below chart shows the addresses and amounts/work type that was sent to the Assessors office:

Address	Tractor Time \$	Tractor Pulling	Hand work / trash pickup	total	admin fee	total billed to owner	total request sent to Finance
0 Pine View Way	316	158	340	814.00	250.00	1064.00	814.00
1100 Petaluma Blvd S	158	158	1020	1336.00	250.00	1586.00	1336.00
Caulfield (across from Kiwi Ct)	790	158	1360	2308.00	250.00	2558.00	2308.00
215 Weller St	158	158	85	401.00	250.00	651.00	401.00
0 Copeland St	158		85	243.00	250.00	493.00	243.00
1340 Petaluma Blvd S	158	158	340	656.00	250.00	906.00	656.00
149 McNear Ave	158		340	498.00	250.00	748.00	498.00
0 McNear Ave			340	340.00	250.00	590.00	340.00
0 Sartori			2550	2550.00	250.00	2800.00	2550.00
450 Hayes Ln			765	765.00	250.00	1015.00	765.00
0 Industrial Ave	316	158	340	814.00	250.00	1064.00	814.00
0 Pine View Way	316	158	170	644.00	250.00	894.00	644.00
901 Martin Cir	1680	150	100	1930.00	250.00	2180.00	1930.00
1520 Colwood Dr	240			240.00	250.00	490.00	240.00
1108 Gumwood Ln	240			240.00	250.00	490.00	240.00
118 Kimberly Way	420			420.00	250.00	670.00	420.00
1450 Petaluma Blvd S	840	150	100	1090.00	250.00	1340.00	1090.00
31 Fairview Terr	240			240.00	250.00	490.00	240.00

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4951 Stony Pt Rd	1050			1050.00	250.00	1300.00	1050.00
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- **Question:** Will there be any landowners coming forward to refute their billing?
 - **Response:** No landowners have informed Fire Prevention that they will be attending the public hearing.
- **Question:** Is mowing done only with large tractor mount or does hand labor include small mowers?
 - **Response:** Hand labor is weed whipping or hand pulling. Mowing is done with the tractor mount.
- **Question:** If unpaid, will city take legal steps to collect or even foreclose?
 - **Response:** The resolution presented tonight is the action to send the unpaid bills to the Assessor's Office to be placed on the tax roll of the parcels unpaid. The City would then receive the payment via property tax payments. If the property owner does not pay the amount, it would be collected if the property is sold. If the property taxes are not paid in full after five years, the property becomes subject to the County Tax Collector's Power to sell and the County could take possession and auction off the property to cover the tax bill.