

ORDINANCE 95

AN ORDINANCE CONTROLLING NUISANCE WEEDS AND GRASS
IN THE CITY OF GREEN ISLE

The City Council of the City of Green Isle hereby ordains:

Section 1. The word "weeds" as used in this ordinance shall be construed to mean and include not only such noxious weeds as listed in Agriculture Rule 1505.0730 of the Minnesota Rules for the year 1983, but also such useless and troublesome plants as are commonly known as weeds to the general public. The word "weeds" shall also be construed to mean all rank vegetable growth which exhales unpleasant or noxious odors, and also high and rank vegetable growth that may conceal filthy deposits.

Section 2. Any weeds or grass growing upon any lot or parcel of land in the City of Green Isle to a greater height than one foot, or which have gone or are about to go to seed, are hereby declared to be a nuisance and dangerous to the health, safety and good order of the city.

Section 3. When any conditions exist on any parcel of land in the City of Green Isle described in Section 2 above, it shall be the duty of the City Clerk to serve a notice on the owner, occupant or agent of such parcel, ordering such owner or agent to have such weeds or grass cut and removed, sprayed with herbicide or otherwise controlled, within 10 days after the service of the notice, and also stating that in case of noncompliance, the same will be done by the city at the owner's expense.

Section 4. Upon failure of the owner, occupant or agent to comply with the provisions of said notice after 10 days, the city shall cut and remove or spray such weeds or grass, and charge the owner of the premises the cost of the work. If such cost remains unpaid, the city shall at the next real estate tax assessment certification, certify to the County Auditor the amount so charged against the premises for that year, with a description of the premises and the name of the owner, and such charge shall be collected in the same manner as taxes against said premises. Such charge shall be a perpetual lien on said premises until paid. Where no known owner, occupant or agent can be found, then the city may proceed under this section without the service of said notice.

Section 5. Penalty. Any person who shall neglect to cut and remove weeds, grass, brush or other vegetation as directed in this ordinance, or who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of any notice herein provided or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or who shall resist or obstruct the city in the cutting and removal of weeds, grass, brush and other vegetation, shall upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of \$50.00 each day on which such violation continues after the expiration of the 10 day notice period set out in Section 3 above.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication.

For City of Green Isle:

John Foley
Its Mayor

Carol Schwich
Its Clerk

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