CITY OF WEST DES MOINES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNICATION

ITEM: Certification of Costs
Abatement of Public Nuisance
Multiple Locations

DATE: May 18, 2015

FINANCIAL IMPACT: $ 4,280.00 Revenue to Offset Direct City Expenses

BACKGROUND: Legal notice was given by the City of West Des Moines Code Enforcement Officer to the property owner requiring the owner to comply with the abatement of a nuisance or the City would be authorized to abate the nuisance at the expense of the owner. The following invoices for the cost of abating a nuisance remain unpaid:

Address	Type	Date(s)	Amount
104 Locust St.	Weeds	4/7/2015	$1,445.00
1110 Walnut St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	2/9/2015	$ 90.00
1115 Locust St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	2/6/2015	$ 90.00
1255 28th Pl.	Weeds	11/13/2014	$1,515.00
216 Prospect Ave.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	11/18/2014	$ 90.00
320 2nd St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	11/18/2014	$ 90.00
415 34th St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	2/6/2015	$ 90.00
500 Valhigh Rd.	Weeds	4/7/2015	$ 510.00
613 19th St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	2/9/15	$ 90.00
635 13th St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	2/6/2015	$ 90.00
643 9th St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	11/19/2014	$ 90.00
653 62nd St.	Removal of Snow and/or Ice	1/16/2015	$ 90.00

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of a Resolution directing that all costs be certified to the respective County Treasurer for collection.

Lead Staff Member: Tracy Lovetinsky, Accounting Associate

STAFF REVIEWS

Department Director	Tim Stiles, Finance Director TS
Appropriations/Finance	TS
Legal	
Agenda Acceptance	RTG

PUBLICATION(S) (if applicable)

Published In	
Dates(s) Published	

SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW (if applicable)

Committee			
Date Reviewed			
Recommendation	Yes	No	Split

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, West Des Moines City staff have previously determined that the premises described on the attached assessment schedule, 2015-03 Polk County and D2015-03 Dallas County nuisance abatements:

Parcel # 320/04801-000-000	W 50F LOT 1 BLK 28 2ND ADD TO VALLEY JUNCTION PLAT 3
Parcel # 320/03605-001-000	E 70F & BEG 70F W OF SE COR THN W 11F NE 131.25F TO A PT ON N LN 76.83F WLY OF NE COR S 130.65F TO POB LOT 41 NUTTALL ACRES
Parcel # 320/03581-000-000	EX W 68F- LOT 19 & -EX E 30F N 220F- LOT 20 NUTTALL ACRES
Parcel # 320/04949-100-000	LT 38 WOODLAND HEIGHTS PLAT 5
Parcel # 320/02899-000-000	LOT 68 LINNWILL
Parcel # 320/04543-000-000	LOT 4 BLK 16 1ST ADD TO VALLEY JUNCTION
Parcel # 320/00442-062-000	LOT 24 ASHAWA ESTATES PLAT 2
Parcel # 320/03308-000-000	LOT 30 MURROW HILL
Parcel # 320/04961-000-000	LOT 12 ZELDA ACRES PLAT NO 1
Parcel # 320/01061-000-000	LOT 76 CLOVER HILLS PLAT 3
Parcel # 320/02225-000-000	LOT 31 GILLETTE KNOLLS
Parcel # 690/16-12-278-006	WRENWOOD PLAT 2 LOT 33

were declared to be a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, law requires said owners to comply with the abatement of a nuisance or the City of West Des Moines, Iowa is authorized and directed that such public nuisance be abated by said City at the expense of the owners; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Des Moines, Iowa, had to arrange for abatement of the nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the cost to the City of West Des Moines of abating the nuisance was:

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653 62nd St.	$ 90.00
TOTAL	**$ 4,280.00**

and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of City ordinance and Chapter 384 of the Code of Iowa, the cost of removal and abatement of said nuisance may be made at the expense of the owners of premises;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA that the Director of Finance is directed to certify a copy of this resolution and attached assessment schedule to the respective County Treasurer who shall enter said costs upon the tax books as cost for removing and abating the public nuisance with said costs to be collected as provided by Iowa law.

PASSED AND APPROVED 18th day of May, 2015.

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Steven K. Gaer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ryan Jacobson, City Clerk

NOTICE OF FILING OF
ASSESSMENTS FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT

To the person owning land within the City of West Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, particularly described as:

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Parcel # 320/03605-001-000	E 70F & BEG 70F W OF SE COR THN W 11F NE 131.25F TO A PT ON N LN 76.83F WLY OF NE COR S 130.65F TO POB LOT 41 NUTTALL ACRES
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You are hereby notified the City of West Des Moines, on May 18, 2015, levied special assessments for the abatement of a public nuisance at the above described property and that said assessment has been certified to the Polk County Treasurer for collection.

You are further notified that assessments may be paid in full or in part without interest at the office of the Polk County Treasurer, at any time within thirty days after the date of the first publication of this notice of the filing of the schedule of assessments with the County Treasurer. Unless said assessments are paid in full within said thirty day period all unpaid assessments will draw annual interest computed at nine percent (commencing on the date the assessment was levied) computed to the December 1st next following the due date.

This Notice given by direction of the Council of the City of West Des Moines, Iowa.

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Ryan Jacobson, City Clerk

Publish: _____ & _____, 2015