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City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	Item Type:		1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
9/16/2020	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Ordinance Reading	9/2/2020	9/16/2020
File No.:		Public Hearing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20-241		Advertising Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Quasi Judicial:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fiscal Impact (\$):	Account Balance (\$):	Funding Source:	Project Number :	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Contract/P.O. Required	RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:	Sponsor Name:	Department:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		Vanessa Leroy, Director	Development Services	
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial	<input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Capacity	<input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Development, Redevelopment and Economic Development	
Implementation Timeline				
Estimated Start Date: Upon adoption on Second Reading Estimated End Date: Click or tap to enter a date.				

SHORT TITLE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 14, "MINIMUM PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND OCCUPANCY CODE"; ARTICLE IV, LOT MAINTENANCE AND CLEAN UP; SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS 14-96 IMMINENT PUBLIC-HEALTH THREAT, 14-97 ENFORCEMENT, 14-98 APPEALS AND 14-99 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPOSED; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

STAFF SUMMARY:

Summary:

This agenda item seeks amendment of Chapter 14 -97(b) of the Hallandale Beach Code of Ordinances to reduce the current notice time to cure the violation (cut grass overgrowth/clean lots); from 20 days to 10 days.

Background:

The City's administration requested strategies to reduce blight from illegal dumping on private property, following several months of complaints on the subject. Therefore, staff is recommending to reduce the compliance time originally allotted for compliance to promote prompter action in cleaning and maintaining properties.

Current Situation:

Chapter 14, Section 14-97(b) an ordinance regarding overgrown grass and junk in lots allows 20 days for compliance after receiving notice to cut/maintain an overgrown/junk on lot. After time for compliance expires, the City contacts the lot clearing vendor and schedules a clean up. Code staff pays the vendor and the Finance Department prepares a certified letter to the property owner giving notice to appeal or pay for the City's cost. If there is no appeal and payment is not received timely, a lien is placed on the property, and then the City, via commission approval, seeks payment of this service by imposing such on the property tax roll.

To comply with the appeal process requirements, the current appeal period will be adjusted to reflect as such. The appeal time will now go from 15 days to 7 days.

The proposed amendment will shorten the time for compliance, allowing the City to act quickly to have an overgrown/junk on lot cleaned up by our vendor thus reducing complaints, helping to prevent rodents, and maintaining a higher quality of life.

Staff recommends changing the current time for compliance to terminate and abate the violation from 20 calendar days to 10 calendar days of when the notice is served, therefore adoption of an ordinance to affect these recommendations is necessary.

Why Action is Necessary:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5.01 of the City of Hallandale Beach Charter, an Ordinance adopted by the Commission is required to amend or repeal any ordinance previously adopted by the City Commission.

Cost Benefit:

Benefits to adopting this Ordinance is to promote prompter compliance.

PROPOSED ACTION:

Staff recommends approval, on First Reading on August 19, 2020, of the attached ordinance amending Chapter 14, "Minimum Property Maintenance and Occupancy Code"; Article IV, Lot Maintenance and Clean-Up, and to set Second Reading to September 16, 2020.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Exhibit 1 - Proposed Ordinance