

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN**  
**Ordinance No. 17-O-15**

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**Sponsored By:** Mayor Patrick L. McGrady

**Date Introduced:** October 9, 2017

**Public Hearing:** October 23, 2017

**Amendments Adopted:**

**Date Adopted:** November 13, 2017

**Date Effective:** December 4, 2017

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**AN ORDINANCE concerning**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT – HEIGHT OF VEGETATION**

**FOR** the purpose of altering certain notice requirements before the City may abate certain violations on properties of habitual violators of certain provisions of the City Code relating to height of vegetation; and generally relating to Code enforcement in the City of Aberdeen.

**BY** repealing and reenacting, with amendments  
Chapter 250. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
Article V, Vegetation  
Section 250-15  
Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended)

**EXPLANATION:**

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW  
((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.  
~~Strike Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.  
\* \* \* indicates existing unmodified text omitted from Ordinance

**SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN**, that Section 250-15 of the Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended), Chapter 250. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, Article V, Vegetation, is repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**Chapter 250. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

**Article V, Vegetation**

§ 250-15 Height restriction.

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C. Notice of abatement shall require that the owner and/or occupant cut, trim or remove the vegetation that is in violation of this section within seven calendar days from the date of notice, EXCEPT THAT IN THE CASE OF A HABITUAL VIOLATOR THE TIME SHALL BE TWO CALENDAR DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTICE.

D. Service of notice shall be by personal service or certified and regular mail to the last known address of the person in whose name the property is assessed for tax purposes and the tenant or occupant, EXCEPT THAT IN THE CASE OF A HABITUAL VIOLATOR THE NOTICE SHALL BE SERVED BY PERSONAL SERVICE, FIRST CLASS MAIL OR POSTING ON THE PROPERTY THAT IS IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.

E. If the property owner, tenant and/or occupant fails to cut, trim or remove the vegetation within seven calendar days of date of notice, OR WITHIN TWO CALENDAR DAYS IN THE CASE OF HABITUAL VIOLATORS, the City shall abate the violation by use of City employees and equipment or by contract with private contractors.

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H. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, A “HABITUAL OFFENDER” IS A PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE CITY HAS ISSUED IN THE SAME CALENDAR YEAR MORE THAN TWO NOTICES OF ABATEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION C. OF THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN,** that this Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of twenty (20) calendar days following adoption.

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN**



**Patrick L. McGrady, Mayor**



**Steven E. Goodin, Councilman**



**Sandra J. Landbeck, Councilwoman**




**Timothy W. Lindecamp, Councilman**



**Melvin T. Taylor, Councilman**

**ATTEST:**

**SEAL:**



**Monica A. Correll, City Clerk**

**Date** November 13, 2017