COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN Ordinance No. 16-O-09

Introduced By:Mayor Patrick L. McGradyDate Introduced:April 11, 2016Amendments Adopted:May 23, 2016Date Adopted:May 23, 2016Date Effective:June 13, 2016

AN ORDINANCE concerning

LIEN FOR OVERGROWN VEGETATION ABATEMENT

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FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain costs incurred by the City for the abatement of certain overgrown vegetation violations are a lien on the landowner's property in the same manner as City real property taxes; and generally relating to the City's recoupment of costs incurred to abate certain violations relating to overgrown vegetation on private property.

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments Chapter 250. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL Article V, Vegetation Section 250-15.F

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Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended)

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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

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN, that Section 250-15.F 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 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, Article V, Vegetation, is repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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Chapter 250. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

Article V, Vegetation

S § 250-15. Height restriction.

F. A violation of this section shall constitute a municipal infraction and/or tenant or occupant who fails to abate a violation of this

F. A violation of this section shall constitute a municipal infraction. A property owner and/or tenant or occupant who fails to abate a violation of this section shall be fined in accordance with the provisions in Article X (Enforcement) of this chapter and assessed all costs incurred by the City associated with the abatement of the violation and the City's administrative costs. All costs ((will be added to the City's real estate tax bill)) SHALL BE A LIEN ON THE OWNER'S LAND AND SHALL BE COLLECTED AND ENFORCED IN THE SAME MANNER AS CITY REAL PROPERTY TAXES, EXCEPT THE LAND MAY NOT BE SOLD AT TAX SALE TO SATISFY THE LIEN.

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.

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 June 9, 2016