

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Matthew Fertal
Dept: City Manager
Subject: WEED/RUBBISH ABATEMENT

From: Keith Osborn
Dept: Fire
Date: November 27, 2007

OBJECTIVE

To hold a Public Hearing for receipt of objections to the Weed Abatement Notices mailed to parcel owners on September 13, 2007.

BACKGROUND

The City Council, at its meeting of September 11, 2007 adopted a Resolution pursuant to Section 39500, et. seq. of the State of California Government Code to declare that a nuisance exists in connection with the presence of weeds, rubbish, and debris on certain properties within the City of Garden Grove. A public hearing has been scheduled for November 27, 2007 to receive any objections to the Weed Abatement Notices.

Parcel owners had until October 29, 2007 to clear their properties. The City's Weed Abatement Official re-inspected these parcels on October 30, 2007 and uncleared parcels are identified in the "Updated Exhibit A". The City's contractor will begin cleaning privately owned properties in noncompliance on November 28, 2007 with work slated for completion within 30 days.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

RECOMMENDATION

It would be in order for the City Council to hold a public hearing, receive testimony, and take one of the following actions:

- Uphold the objections and order individual properties to be removed from the scheduled abatement process; or
- Overrule the objections and direct staff to proceed with the scheduled weed abatement.
- If no objections, direct staff to proceed with the scheduled weed abatement.

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