

RESOLUTION NO. 25-9427

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE ABATEMENT OF A NUISANCE CONSISTING OF GROWING WEEDS IN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2025, the City Council of the City of Santa Clara adopted a Resolution declaring weeds to be a public nuisance in the manner provided in Chapter 8.15 of the Santa Clara City Code;

WHEREAS, Subsequently, the City of Santa Clara published a Notice to Destroy Weeds and notice of public hearing informing residents of the City that the growing of weeds had been declared a nuisance, that residents were ordered to abate any such condition on their property, that a failure to abate such a condition would result in the City taking remedial action and assessing against such property the costs of abatement;

WHEREAS, the City has entered into an agreement with the County of Santa Clara entitled, "Amended and Restated Agreement between the County of Santa Clara and the City of Santa Clara for Weed Abatement Services," most recently approved on February 22, 2022, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk ("Agreement");

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement with the County, non-compliant properties were inspected and added to the 2025 Commencement Report where appropriate;

WHEREAS, On March 25, 2025, a public hearing was held to hear and consider all objections to the proposed destruction or removal of such weeds on the properties set forth in the Commencement Report, and

WHEREAS, no protests have been received by the City Council protesting the abatement of the nuisance, or if such protest(s) were received they were either allowed or overruled as required by City Code, so the City Council deems it to be in the best interests of the City to direct the County Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency to commence abatement of the nuisance of weeds growing in the City of Santa Clara, pursuant to the Agreement.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the County of Santa Clara Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency shall abate the nuisance in the manner provided by the Agreement, City Code, and applicable State law. The County Consumer and Environmental Protection Agency is hereby directed to give notice by mail to the owner or owners of each individual parcel of land upon which weeds will be abated by the City at least ten (10) days before abatement. The notice shall be given by mail, addressed to the owner at their last known address, as shown on the last County equalized assessment roll. Meanwhile, and before the expiration of the notification period, any owner may voluntarily abate the nuisance. Said parcel or lot of land will still be added to the Commencement List for ongoing monitoring.

2. Effective date. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF HELD ON THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2025, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	COUNCILORS:	Cox, Gonzalez, Hardy, Jain, and Park, and Mayor Gillmor
NOES:	COUNCILORS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILORS:	Chahal
ABSTAINED:	COUNCILORS:	None

ATTEST:



NORA PIMENTEL, MMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference:

1. City of Santa Clara Public Notice to Destroy Weeds
2. Fire Safety Through Vegetation Management – Minimum Fire Safety Standards
3. 2025 County Weed Abatement Commencement Report

City of Santa Clara

Notice to Destroy Weeds

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **February 25, 2025**, pursuant to the provisions of § 8.15 et seq. of the Code of the City of Santa Clara, California, the City Council passed a resolution declaring that all weeds growing upon any private property or in any public street or alley, as defined in § 8.15.010 of the Code of the City of Santa Clara, constitute a public nuisance; this nuisance must be abated by the removal of the weeds.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that property owners shall, without delay, remove all weeds from their property and the abutting half of the street in front and alleys, if any, behind the property and between the lot lines as extended, or the weeds will be destroyed or removed and the nuisance abated by the County authorities, in which case the cost of the destruction or removal will be assessed upon the lots and lands from which or from the front or rear of which, the weeds have been destroyed or removed, and the cost will constitute a lien upon the lots or lands until paid, and will be collected upon the next tax roll upon which general municipal taxes are collected.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING. All property owners wanting to provide input regarding the proposed destruction or removal of the weeds are hereby notified to attend a meeting, either in person or remotely, of the City Council of the City of Santa Clara to be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, California, on **March 25, 2025**, at **7:00 p.m.**, to have their comments heard by the City Council. The link for remote attendance can be found on the City of Santa Clara website.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA). The City complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need additional information or assistance, please contact the City's ADA Coordinator at (408) 615-3000.