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### CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: June 18, 2019

#### Subject

Supplemental Weed Abatement Program hearing to consider objections to proposed removal of public nuisance (weeds) and to order abatement of nuisance pursuant to provisions of Cupertino Municipal Code (Chapter 9.08) regarding Weed Abatement and Resolution No. 19-059.

#### Recommended Action

1. Conduct supplemental Weed Abatement Program hearing to note objections of property owners having their name on the list of properties that have been non-compliant in removing weeds; and
2. Adopt the Draft Resolution ordering the abatement of a public nuisance (weeds) pursuant to provisions of Cupertino Municipal Code (Chapter 9.08) regarding Weed Abatement and Resolution No. 19-059.

#### Discussion

Chapter 9.08 of the Cupertino Municipal Code requires property owners to remove or destroy weeds growing on their property for fire protection. The Weed Abatement Program process is in place to notify the property owners of this responsibility, authorize the County to remove the weeds if the property owner doesn't, and allow the County to recover the costs of abatement.

On May 21, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-059 declaring weeds a nuisance on certain properties and setting a supplemental hearing on June 18 to note objections by property owners being added to the Weed Abatement Program list and to order those properties abated. The attached Special Weed Abatement Program Commencement Report list of properties indicates the additional property which was added. After Council holds the hearing to consider objections, it may wish to adopt a resolution ordering abatement. Attached is a copy of the Draft Resolution to abate nuisance. After abatement has been ordered, the property owner has the right to remove the weeds and/or debris themselves, provided that it occurs prior to the time of the arrival of the County to remove them. On June 3, the City Clerk's Office mailed a notice to destroy weeds (attached) to the property owner, notifying them of the special hearing date, as well as a copy of the special commencement report and Weed Abatement Fire Safety Standards Brochure (attached).

#### Fiscal Impact

Any fees waived by the Council will be billed to the City by the County to cover their cost of servicing the property.

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Approved for Submission by: Deborah Feng, City Manager

Attachments:

A - Draft Resolution

B - Special Weed Abatement Program Commencement Report

C - Notice to Destroy Weeds

D - Weed Abatement Fire Safety Standards Brochure

E - Approved Resolution No. 19-059