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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: October 4, 2016

Subject

Eighth Amendment to the Agreement between Santa Clara County and the City of Cupertino for Abatement of Weeds

Recommended Action

Adopt the draft resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Eighth Amendment to the Agreement between Santa Clara County and the City of Cupertino for Abatement of Weeds.

Discussion

The Santa Clara County Agricultural Commissioner provides hazardous vegetation management services (weed abatement) to local jurisdictions in order to address the issue of public fire safety in a cost-effective manner. Chapter 9.08 of the Cupertino Municipal Code requires property owners to remove or destroy weeds on their property. The weed abatement 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 by putting a lien assessment on the respective properties to allow the County to recover the cost of weed abatement.

In December of each calendar year, the County gives the City a list of all the fees and costs associated with the weed abatement program. This amendment allows the County to recover all fees and costs associated with weed abatement services unless the City holds a hearing within 60 days of receipt of the list declining to accept any fee or cost in the itemized report. If the City chooses to not accept any fee or cost in the list, the County will be relieved of all obligations to perform the services under the agreement for that particular weed abatement season.

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Reviewed by: Grace Schmidt, City Clerk

Approved for Submission by: David Brandt, City Manager

Attachments:

A - Draft Resolution

B - Draft Agreement