

City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 08/20/2024

Proposed Ordinance No. 24-017- First Reading- An Ordinance of the City Commission for the City of Boynton Beach, Florida, amending the City of Boynton Beach's Code of Ordinances; Chapter 15 "Offenses- Miscellaneous*," Article IX "Community Appearance and Maintenance," Section 15-120 "Minimum Standards for Appearance and Maintenance of Public Property and Private Property;" providing for conflicts, severability, codification; and providing for an effective date.

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of Proposed Ordinance No. 24-017, on first reading.

Explanation of Request: The Commission requested that requirements for tree trimming near overhead power lines be added to the City Code, giving the City the authority to regulate tree maintenance near overhead power lines of single-family and duplex properties. This is the main reason for updating this section of the Ordinance. Trees and other vegetation coming into contact with overhead power lines is the primary cause of outages and flickers, according to FPL. Sparking and other dangerous tree situations can also result from trees and other vegetation touching powerlines.

Additionally, staff decided to update several other sections of this Ordinance in addition to introducing this new regulation. The updates will clarify certain sections and raise property maintenance standards to help maintain or increase property values by ensuring neighborhoods remain well-kept and safe.

How will this affect city programs or services? This will not affect City programs or services.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Attachments:

Ordinance No. 24-017 Minimum_Standards_for_appearance_of_property_-_Ordinance.docx business-impact-estimate.pdf