



City Council Staff Report

Subject: Special Assessments for Delinquent Weed Abatement Charges

Date: June 23, 2026

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Department: Administrative Services - Finance

Recommendation:

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider the Following Action:
Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Imposing Special Assessments Against Certain Parcels for Delinquent Weed Abatement Charges and Requesting Placer County to Attach the Charges on the 2026/27 Tax Roll.

Background:

Each year, the City notifies land owners of vacant properties that they must maintain their properties to minimize fire risk. If the properties are not properly abated by the land owners, the City has the right, under California Government Code Section 39501, California Government Code Section 39560 et seq., and Rocklin Municipal Code Section 8.12.010 to abate the properties and seek reimbursements for these costs.

On April 8, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-062, which identified parcels requiring abatement, ordered that such abatement be completed by June 1, 2025, and set a public hearing April 22, 2025, to hear any protests. Resolution No. 2025.062 also indicated the City may perform abatement on properties that were not properly abated by the owners and bill the responsible land owner for any costs incurred by the City. Land owners of affected parcels were notified by mail of the public hearing and abatement requirements.

On April 22, 2025, the City Council held a public hearing and ordered the nuisance be abated. During the summer of 2025, Northern State Contractors Inc, performed abatement on properties that had not been abated by the owners and billed the City for its costs. The City then billed the property owners for the contractor's costs along with associated fees for abating their land, and the City sent second notices to those property owners with unpaid invoices.

On May 26, 2026, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-065, accepting a report on the costs of abatement attributed to each delinquent parcel and set a public hearing on June 23, 2026, so that the City Council could consider placing special assessments for reimbursement of delinquent weed abatement charges on the 2026/27 tax roll. Notice of the

public meeting was sent to all owners of record, was posted on the City's web page, posted near the City Council Chambers at least three (3) days prior to the hearing, and was published in the Placer Herald on June 12, 2026.

The attached resolution authorizes the imposition of special assessments on properties that have delinquent weed abatement charges, and requests the County collect such assessments. The resolution includes wording required by Placer County for all special assessment charges the County collects on the City's behalf. It serves to indemnify the County for any errors in those tax rolls submitted by the City.

Fiscal Impact:

Placement of special assessments on the tax rolls would result in the City being reimbursed \$26,875.20 of weed abatement expenses and collecting \$4,031.31 of administrative fees.

ATTACHMENTS:

- [1. Resolution](#)