



## City Council Staff Report

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**Subject:** Special Assessments for Delinquent Weed Abatement Charges

**Date:** June 24, 2025

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**Recommendation:**

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider the Following Actions:

- A. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Imposing Special Assessments Against Certain Parcels for Delinquent Weed Abatement Charges.
- B. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Requesting the Collection of Taxes, Assessments on the 2025/26 Tax Roll (Weed Abatement Assessments).

**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 9, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-086, which identified parcels requiring abatement, ordered that such abatement be completed by June 1, 2024, and set a public hearing April 23, 2024, to hear any protests. This Resolution also indicated the City may perform abatement on properties that were not properly abated by the owners and indicated that the City would 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 23, 2024, the City Council held a public hearing and ordered the nuisance be abated. During the summer of 2024, 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 in September 2024, and the City sent second notices in December 2024 to those property owners with unpaid invoices.

On May 27, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-105, accepting a report on

the costs of abatement attributed to each delinquent parcel and set a public hearing on June 24, 2025, so that the City Council could consider placing special assessments for reimbursement of delinquent weed abatement charges on the 2025/26 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 Council Chambers at least three (3) days prior to the hearing, and was published in the Placer Herald on June 13, 2025.

The first resolution (Attachment 1) authorizes the imposition of special assessments on properties that have delinquent weed abatement charges, and requests the County collect such assessments. The second resolution (Attachment 2) is required by Placer County for all direct charges the County collected 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 \$29,703.50 of weed abatement expenses and collecting \$4,455.57 of administrative fees.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. [Resolution A - Weed Abatement Assessments](#)
2. [Resolution B - County Collection](#)