



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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Subject: PURE TROY – Mowing Maintenance

On July 22, 2013 City Council requested a Study Session to discuss right of way maintenance including mowing maintenance. City Council discussed this issue at a September 9, 2013 Study Session.

After careful consideration, Staff will be recommending amendments to portions of Code Chapter 82 Property Maintenance Code. The proposed amendments would:

- Reduce the maximum allowed turf grass/weed height from the current 10 inches to 8 inches.
- Continue to allow preservation/restoration areas and wetlands to exceed 8 inches height.
- Transfer responsibility for public notice publishing and recovery of violation abatement costs from the Public Works Director or his/her designee to the Planning Director or his designee.
- Add language that more clearly allows agents of the City, (i.e. cutting contractor) to enter property to abate violations.
- Modify common area cutting responsibility language to more clearly include entities such as subdivision associations.

City Staff will make a presentation summarizing the mowing maintenance issue at the March 3, 2014 Regular meeting. City Staff will be bringing the complete draft (red-lined format) ordinance amendment back for City Council consideration at the March 17, 2014 Regular meeting.