

Chapter 89, BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

§ 89-1. Removal required.

It shall be the duty of every owner of real estate in the municipality to cut and clear such real estate, together with 1/2 of the streets and alleys abutting thereon, of all weeds or other growth of rank vegetation. Such weeds and other growth of rank vegetation shall be cut so as not to extend more than 12 inches above the ground. Subsequent to the cutting of said weeds, all loose vegetation shall be immediately removed. Upon the failure of the owner, lessee or occupant having control of any such real estate to cut and clear said weeds and other growth of rank vegetation as set forth hereinbefore, the director of public works or his designee shall serve notice by publication or certified mail on said owner, lessee or occupant to do so. In the event that the weeds and vegetation have not been removed after a period of five days, the Director of Public Works may order the same to be done, and the cost thereof shall be assessed against the real estate. If the owner fails to reimburse the municipality after being properly billed, the Council shall have the assessment certified to the County Treasurer and the same shall be collected in the manner provided by law. In the event that the property owner is a nonresident of the county in which the property lies, the municipality shall, before levying any special assessment against that property, send a copy of any notice required by law to be published by means of certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the nonresident property owner. The last known address shall be that address listed on the current tax rolls at the time such required notice was first published.

§ 89-2. Violations and penalties. [Amended 5-5-1998 by Ord. No. 1264EN]

Any person who violates any of the prohibitions or provisions of section of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a Class V misdemeanor. Unless otherwise specified in this chapter the penalty for such violation shall be in an amount not to exceed \$100.