CITY OF OXFORD, KANSAS

ORDINANCE 339

(Published in the Oxford Register on Thursday, July 15, 2021)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 8-402(e), 8-403(b)(2), and 8-403(b)(4), RELATING TO LIMITS ON HEIGHT OF WEEDS AND INDIGENOUS GRASSES, THE RATE OF COSTS ASSESSED BY THE CITY FOR ABATEMENT OF WEEDS AND INDIGENOUS GRASSES, AND TIME LIMITS TO ABATE OR REMEDY WEEDS OR INDIGENOUS GRASSES IN VIOLATION OF OXFORD CITY CODE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, KANSAS:

SECTION I

Section 8-402(e) of the Code of the City of Oxford, 2021, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8-402 Definitions

(e) Weeds and indigenous grasses on or about residential property which, because of its height, has a blighting influence on the neighborhood. Any such weeds and indigenous grasses shall be presumed blighting if they exceed eight (8) inches in height.

SECTION II

Section 8-402(e) as it existed prior to this ordinance is hereby repealed.

SECTION III

Section 8-403(b)(2) and (b)(4) of the Code of the City of Oxford, 2021 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8-403 PUBLIC OFFICER; NOTICE TO REMOVE

- (b) The notice to be given hereunder shall state:
 - (2) That the owner, occupant or agent in control of the property is ordered to cut or destroy the weeds within five (5) days of the receipt of the notice;
 - (4) That if the owner, occupant, or agent in control of the property does not cut or destroy the weeds or fails to request a hearing within the allowed time, the City or its authorized agent will cut or destroy the weeds and assess the costs of the cutting or destroying the weeds, including a reasonable administrative fee, against the owner, occupant, or agent in control of the property at the following rates:

RATE TABLE

- 1. 1st mowing \$100.00 per hour
- 2. 2nd mowing \$125.00 per hour
- 3. 3rd mowing \$150.00 per hour
- 4. All mowing fees will be assessed on a time spent basis with a one (1) hour minimum charge being assessed for each mowing
- 5. Administrative fee \$50.00
- 6. All repair charges or costs for damage to city equipment incurred while removing weeds from property.

SECTION IV

Section 8-403(b)(2) and 8-403(b)(4) as it existed prior to this ordinance is hereby repealed.

SECTION V

These ordinances shall take effect and be enforced from and after its publication in the official city newspaper, as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council this 6th day of July 2021.

SIGNED by the Mayor this 6th day of July 2021.

CITY OF OXFORD, KANSAS

David Olmsted, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tresa Tong, City Clerk

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF KANSAS, SUMNER COUNTY

SS:

Tina Walton, City Editor

being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is publisher of THE BELLE PLAINE NEWS, a weekly newspaper printed in the State of Kansas, and published in and of general circulation in Sumner County, Kansas with a general paid circulation on a yearly basis in Sumner County, Kansas, and that said newspaper is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication.

Said newspaper has been published at least weekly 50 times a year; has been so published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county and state for a period of more than five years prior to the first publication of said notice; and has been admitted to the post office of Belle Plaine, Kansas in said County as periodical class matter.

That the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper for one week only, that publication thereof being made on the date of:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of August

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