

RESOLUTION NO. 23-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENIFEE,
CALIFORNIA ORDERING THE CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL
ASSESSMENTS AND LIENS AGAINST PARCELS OF LAND FOR
UNPAID AND DELINQUENT CHARGES FOR WEED ABATEMENT**

WHEREAS, Riverside County Ordinance No. 695, as adopted by the City Council of the City of Menifee through Ordinance Nos. 2009-66 and 2013-123, requires all unimproved parcels to be free of hazardous vegetation and establishes a procedure for the assessment of such properties for the costs in having the removal accomplished by the City or its contractors; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Menifee's Finance and Code Enforcement Departments have been unsuccessful in collecting outstanding delinquent weed abatement accounts; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Menifee seeks to collect the delinquent weed abatement charges by means of the County Auditor-Controller's office; and

WHEREAS, the charges placed upon the parcels are the actual cost of abating the individual parcels plus an Administrative Fee of \$126.00 and staff time; and

WHEREAS, such property owners have had the opportunity to appeal the citations and abatement through the procedure established in Section 6 of Ordinance No. 695; and,

WHEREAS the property owners have been notified of the delinquent weed abatement charges; and

WHEREAS, the billing for those parcels listed on the attached Exhibit "A" remains unpaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Menifee does resolve and order as follows:

1. Pursuant to Section 7 of Riverside County Ordinance No. 695, adopted by the City of Menifee, after notice to the property owner, the City may cause the removal of hazardous vegetation by its forces or those of a subcontractor and recover the cost of the same, as well as reasonable administrative charges, through imposition as a special assessment on the property.
2. The list of parcels upon which the unpaid delinquent weed abatement accounts as shown on Exhibit "A" is hereby confirmed and that henceforth, said delinquent charges shall constitute special assessments against the respective parcels of land, and are liens on said lands in the amount of the respective assessments, as authorized by Section 7 of Ordinance No. 695. In addition, the surcharge as allowed by Riverside County Ordinance No. 695 shall take effect when the lien is applied to the property tax bill.
3. That the charges are in compliance with all laws pertaining to the levy of the assessment and that the charge is levied without regard to property valuation.

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4. That a certified copy of this Resolution and the attached Exhibit "A" shall be transmitted to the Auditor-Controller of Riverside County on or before August 10, 2023, who shall enter the amounts as assessments against the respective parcels of land as they appear on the current assessment roll. Said assessments shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as ordinary municipal ad valorem taxes as provided by Section 8(A) of Ordinance No. 695.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of August, 2023.

Bill Zimmerman, Mayor

Attest:

Stephanie Roseen, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Jeffrey T. Melching, City Attorney