

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE CUTTING AND CONTROLLING OF ALL NOXIOUS WEEDS, UNSIGHTLY GRASSES AND SIMILAR VEGETATION ON LOTS OR PIECES OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF

WALTON, HARVEY COUNTY, KANSAS:

Section 1: That Ordinance No. 49 of the City of Walton heretofore passed and adopted on the ^{6th} ~~1st~~ day of July, 1903 ~~October, 1979~~, should be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 2: That the owner, agent or occupant of any lot or piece of land within the City of Walton shall keep said lot or piece of land free and clear of all noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation by cutting or destroying all such noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation before the same blossom or mature or attain a size sufficient to affect the health and comfort of the inhabitants of the city.

Section 3: That in the event the owner, agent or occupant of any lot or piece of land within the city fails or neglects to cut or destroy any noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation growing or standing on said lot or piece of land within the city in violation of Section (2) of this Ordinance, then the city clerk shall give such owner, agent or occupant seven (7) days written notice so to do; and in case the owner is unknown or is a non-resident and there is no resident agent, then a ten (10) day notice published once in the official city paper shall be given by the city clerk,

notifying the owner, agent or occupant of said lot or piece of land to cut and destroy such noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation.

Section 4: That in the event the owner, agent or occupant shall fail or refuse to cut or destroy such noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation after seven (7) days of written or printed notice by the city clerk or in cases where the owner is unknown or is a non-resident and there is no resident agent ten (10) days after notice has been published by the city clerk in the official city paper, the city clerk shall cause said noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation to be cut or destroyed and shall keep an account of the cost of same. All costs incurred in connection with the cutting or destroying of said noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation shall be paid by the property owner and if left unpaid the city shall levy a special assessment for such cost against the lot or piece of land upon which such noxious weeds, unsightly grasses and similar vegetation have been cut or destroyed in the same manner as is required for the building of sidewalks. (K.S.A. 12-1617(f))

Section 5: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication once in the Newton Kansan, the official city paper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the

City of Walton, Kansas, this 1 st day of October, 1979.

Attest:

Emelina R. Lambrecht
City Clerk

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Paul Sander
Mayor

