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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

**Planning,
Zoning,
Building Safety,
Construction Inspection Services,
Public Health,
Housing Inspections,
Code Enforcement**

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

FROM: Dave Gobin, Community Development Director

DATE: February 2, 2015

SUBJECT: Special Assessments

INTRODUCTION:

The Community Development Department would like to be placed on the City Council agenda on February 4, 2015, to present a request to assess unpaid nuisance abatement costs totaling \$17,687.65 to private properties.

BACKGROUND:

The City's contractor has provided nuisance abatement services at the properties listed on the attachment. Dates of service range from July 2014 to December 2014. There are 66 properties represented in the attached spreadsheet. The City was billed for these services and has subsequently paid the contractor. Assessing the outstanding bills to the property taxes will help the City recoup its costs. Most of these properties are vacant and are routinely maintained by the City Contractor against nuisance violations for weeds and snow removal where applicable. Some of the properties are occupied, in which case the owner was billed for the services provided. Those who did not remit payment are included on the assessment list. A \$50.00 assessment fee has been added to each property to cover processing costs.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

It is requested that Council approve the resolution to assess the unpaid nuisance abatement costs to their respective properties.

ATTACHMENT:

Assessments 2015

Resolution No. 92956-0215

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSESSMENT OF UNPAID
ABATEMENT COSTS TO PRIVATE PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, the city of Muscatine has incurred costs for abatement of certain Nuisance(s) according to Section 9-4-4 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given before such action according to provisions of Section 9-4-3 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Muscatine is allowed to assess such costs according to Section 9-4-4 of the City Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MUSCATINE, IOWA, that nuisance abatement costs of the following property Owner(s) be assessed to the described properties in the amount(s) noted and reflected on the attached property tax bills.

PASSED AND APPROVED this date February 5, 2015


DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST:


Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

