

### **31-107 WEEDS**

It shall be unlawful for any owner or resident of any lot, area, or place located within this municipality to permit any weeds, grass, or deleterious, unhealthful growths to obtain a height exceeding ten (10) inches on such property. For the purposes of this section, "weeds" shall be deemed to mean Jimson, Burdock, Ragweed, Thistle, Cocklebur, Dandelion, or other unsightly growths of a like kind.

1. **Notice to remove.** It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to notify, in writing, the owner or occupant of any premises upon which weeds or other prohibited flora are permitted to grow in violation of the provisions of this section that such growths must be removed, cut, and/or destroyed within seven (7) days from the date of such notice.

Notice shall be by registered mail, addressed to said owner or occupant, at his last known address.

2. **Action upon non-compliance.** Upon the failure, neglect, or refusal of any owner or occupant so notified to remove, cut, and/or destroy such weeds or other unsightly growths within the designated time period. The director of public works is authorized and empowered to provide for the removal, cutting, and/or destroying of such growths by or for the city.

The actual cost of such weed removal shall be assessed against the property owner upon whose premises the work is done, and, in the event the bill for such charges remains unpaid for thirty (30) days after it has been rendered, shall become a lien upon the premises enforceable in the same manner as provided for the collection of unpaid taxes.