

MAPLE HEIGHTS COUNCIL MEETING
Maple Heights Senior Center
15901 Libby Road

June 7, 2017

7:00 p.m.

ADDENDUM FOR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF JUNE 7, 2017

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE NO.: 2017-66

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 680.05(b) OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY CONCERNING NOTICE TO PROPERTY
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INCHES OR HIGHER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Reading 1 (Blackwell)

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INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Annette M. Blackwell

MOTION FOR ADOPTION BY:

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and Chief Building Official have recommended to Council that Section 680.05(b) of the City's Codified Ordinances concerning notice to property owner's to cut or destroy any weeds or grass that is six inches or higher be amended to provide that written notice shall be given upon the first identified violation and that subsequent violations need no further notice, and that the nuisance shall be abated within 2 days instead of 5 days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Maple Heights, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio that:

Section 1. Section 680.05(b) of the City's Codified Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

(b) The owner of property determined to be in violation of this Section shall be served a written notice upon the first identified violation per calendar year. Such notice shall state that the owner has two (2) calendar days to cut or destroy, or cause to be cut or destroyed, any weeds or grass that is six (6) inches or higher in height or any vegetation that obstructs views compromising safe ingress or egress or otherwise impedes traffic, including pedestrian traffic, on any public rights of way. Further, the notice shall conspicuously state that failure to comply will result in the City causing the work to be done and the costs to be assessed against the property in the manner provided by this Section. The notice shall also conspicuously state that any subsequent violations of this Section concerning the same property during the same calendar year shall require no further notice.

Section 2. The Law Director is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the publisher of the Codified Ordinances of the City for immediate inclusion of amended Section 680.05(b) in the current print and electronic editions of the City's Codified Ordinances.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting on the date indicated below, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its Committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure necessary for the public peace, safety and general welfare of the City and for the further reason that it must be timely

added to the codified ordinances, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____, 2017

Richard Trojanski, Council President

Annette M. Blackwell, Mayor

Approved as to legal form:

Frank Consolo, Director of Law

ATTEST: _____
Leonette F. Cicirella, Clerk of Council

I, Leonette F. Cicirella, Clerk of Council of the City of Maple Heights, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, do hereby certify the above to be a true and exact copy of the original as contained in the records of my office and that the same has been and will remain duly posted as required by law.

Date: _____

Leonette F. Cicirella, Clerk of Council