

# City of Garnavillo

## Public Notice Weeds, Vine and Brush

### **52.01 PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the removal of weeds, vines, brush, or other growth constituting a health, fire, or safety hazard within the City, to define the same as nuisances and to provide for their abatement in order to provide for the safety and preserve the health and welfare of the citizens of the City.

### **52.02 RULES FOR REMOVAL.**

All weeds, vines, brush or other growth which constitute a health, safety or fire hazard shall be cut or destroyed by the property owners when and as needed (as determined by the Council or its authorized representative, if the property owner fails to do so), but in any event at least once by May 1 of each year and thereafter by no later than the first day of each succeeding month through and including October 1 of each year.

### **52.09 CONTROL OF WEEDS OR OTHER VEGETATION.**

The City Administrator/Clerk shall annually on or before May 1 through August 1 of each year publish a Notice to Property Owners generally setting forth the duty to control weeds and other vegetation which might be a nuisance in violation of this Code of Ordinances. The Mayor, City Administrator/Clerk or designee may cause a Notice to Abate Nuisance to be served upon any property owner who fails to comply with the published notice or any person who at any other time has weeds or other vegetation in violation of this Code of Ordinances and shall submit the cost to the Council for assessment as provided in Section 364.12 of the Code of Iowa. In the event of an emergency as set forth in Section 364.12 of the Code of Iowa, the notice requirement may be dispensed with. In abating a nuisance under this Code of Ordinances, the Mayor, City Administrator/Clerk, or designee are hereby authorized and directed to employ such persons and rent any and all equipment necessary for the abatement of the nuisance and the costs thereof shall be assessed.