City Code Updates Related to Nuisances and Nuisance Abatements

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Agenda

- Proposed Changes
- Current vs Proposed
- Questions



Proposed Changes

Key Points

- Clean up the current code and add clarifying language.
- Standardize the compliance process and deadlines.
- Add administrative penalties.

One standard process

- Review complaint, initial inspection and follow-up with reporting if needed.
- Mail courtesy note (7-day timeframe). Reinspection after 7 days.
- Notice of Violation posted on property and/or mailed to registered owner (10-day timeframe).
- 4. Reinspection after 10 days.
- If compliance achieved, case is closed.
- 6. If the violation is still present:
 - Administrative Penalty
 - Abatement
 - Summons & Complaint

Administrative Penalties

- Achieving voluntary compliance through education, courtesy notes
 Notice of Violation would remain the priority.
- Would provide an additional tool to achieve compliance.
- Proposed Admin Penalty fee schedule:
 - \$100 (10 days)
 - \$200 (10 days)
 - \$500 (10 days, repeating every 10 days until violation is corrected or a Summons is issued)



Current VS. Proposed

Current

- Nuisances are housed in several areas of the code.
- Only provides two options to achieve compliance (abatement & summons) if courtesy notes and notices fail.
 - Example: Rooster violations are escalated from a notice of violation to a summons without an option in-between.
- Inconsistent compliance deadlines.
- Some violations without clear deadlines (snow, trashcans).

Proposed

- Easier to read and understand.
- Provides clarifying language and better deadlines.
- Houses all nuisances in one area of the code.
- Provides the Code Compliance team more options to gain compliance.



QUESTIONS?

Recommended Motion:

I move to approve Ordinance 20-2024 on second reading amending various titles and sections of the Littleton City Code related to nuisances and nuisance abatements.

