RESOLUTION NO. 18-341

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO CERTIFY ASSESSMENTS AGAINST PROPERTIES TO THE POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY TREASURER FOR UNREIMBURSED COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY FOR THE ABATEMENT OF WEEDS UPON PROPERTIES AND DIRECTING THEM TO BE COLLECTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS A PROPERTY TAX.

WHEREAS, Council Bluffs' City Ordinance No. 4849, passed and approved by the Council Bluffs City Council on April 15, 1988, requires all property owners within the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa, to cut or destroy all weeds exceeding 18 inches in height; and

WHEREAS, all property owners in Council Bluffs were notified of the above requirements by ordinance and by publication in the Council Bluffs Nonpareil; and

WHEREAS, the owner of each specific property was notified by regular mail and given at least seven (7) days to abate the nuisance; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its contractor, has attempted to cut or destroy all weeds exceeding 18 inches in height found upon property where the owners have failed to cut or destroy the weeds themselves; and

WHEREAS, more than ten days have elapsed since the City has billed each property owner by mail for the cost of removing the weeds from their properties; and

WHEREAS, the cost of weed abatement on these properties has been incurred by the City and remains unpaid; and

WHEREAS, the City Council may have these unpaid costs assessed against the properties from which the weeds were removed pursuant to Council Bluffs Municipal Code Section 4.19.010 or 8.54.010 as authorized by Iowa Code, Section 364.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

That the unreimbursed costs incurred by the City for the abatement of weeds found upon the properties be assessed against said properties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the City Clerk is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to certify assessments against said properties to the Pottawattamie County Treasurer to be collected in the same manner as a property tax.

ADOPTED
AND December 17, 2018.
APPROVED

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MATTHEW J. WALSH Mayor

Attest: _____
JODI QUAKENBUSH City Clerk