Proposed

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK MARYLAND Resolution 2008- OR- 06

Introduced By: Council Member Timothy Kimbrough

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Date Introduced: Introduction and first reading <u>10-6-08</u>

Second reading and adoption

Amendments Adopted:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

An Ordinance concerning Cutting of weeds at owner's cost.

For, the purpose of Shortening the time period for property owners and occupants to cut menacing weeds, grass and thickets from their properties before the Town does the work at the property owner's expense

Whereas, the presence of tall grass, weeds and thickets are a blight and menace to the residential and commercial communities of the Town of Riverdale Park Maryland, and **Whereas,** Article III, section 302-of the Town Charter for Riverdale Park Maryland grants the Town Specific Powers to regulate the height of weeds, grass, shrubberies and foliage, and

Whereas, Article III, section 302-of the Town Charter for Riverdale Park Maryland grants the Town Specific Powers to remove such menaces and assess the cost of removal against the owner of the property,

Therefore be it resolved that Chapter 68, section 2 of the Code be revised as follows. Change to this section is indicated by strike through. The new language is in bold italics

§ 68-2. Cutting weeds at owner's expense. [Amended 10-2-89.][Amended 9-18-03]

Upon complaint or observation that a condition exists prohibited by the previous section,

The Town of Riverdale Park through its Code Enforcement or Police Department shall notify the

Owner of the property in writing to remedy the condition within ten (10) seven (7) days after receipt of

Such notice. Upon failure to comply with such notice, the Town may employ persons to have the

Work done, who shall have the right to enter the premises for that purpose.

The cost thereof shall be billed by the Town against the owner of the property. Failure to

Remit payment within (30) thirty-days shall be a recorded as a lien against the property

And be it further enacted that this Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after its passage by the Council.

Attest:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK MARYLAND

Patrick J. Prangley, Town Administrator

Vernon Archer, Mayor