

Areas of Glendale Defensible Space Standards for the High Fire Hazard



Annual inspections to ensure adequate defensible space begin May 1st.



780 Flower St., Glendale, CA 91201 Glendale Fire Prevention Bureau

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DEFENSIBLE SPACE

homeowners are required to maintain on their Creating and maintaining defensible space is essential for increasing your homes's chance property between a structure and the plants, improves the safety of firefighters defending the structure that could catch fire. This space is needed to slow the spread of wildfire and brush and trees or other items surrounding of surviving a wildfire. It's the buffer that your home.

Two zones make up the required 100 feet of defensible space.

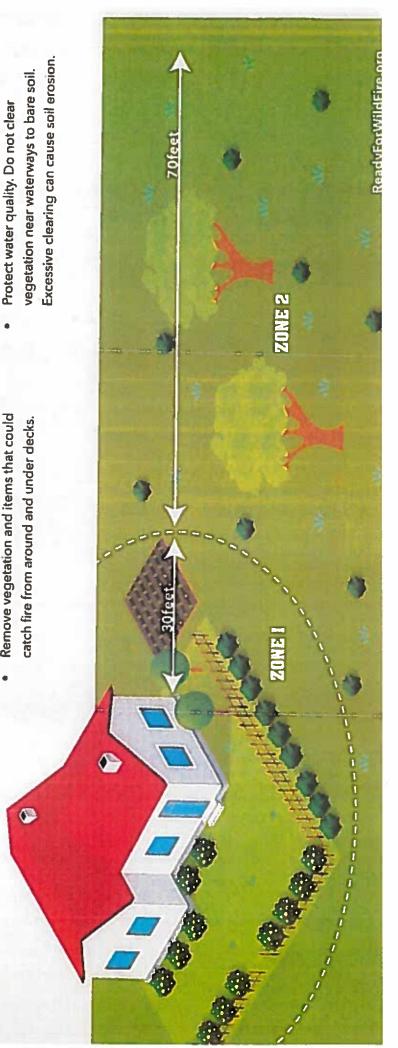
Extends 30 feet out from buildings, decks, and other structures

- Remove all dead plants, grass and weeds.
- Remove dead or dry leaves and pine needles from your yard, roof and rain gutters.
- Trim trees regularly to keep branches a minimum of 10 feet from other trees.
- Remove dead branches that hang over your roof, and keep branches 10 feet away from your chimney.
- Remove or prune flammable plants and shrubs near windows.
- Remove vegetation and items that could

ZONE 2

buildings, decks, and other structures Extends 30 to 100 feet out from

- Cut or mow annual grass down to a maximum height of 4 inches.
- Create a minimum horizontal spacing of 20 feet between shrubs and trees.
- Create a minimum vertical spacing of 6 feet between grass, shrubs and the lowest branches on a tree.
- Remove fallen leaves, needles, twigs, bark, cones, and small branches. However, they may be permitted to a depth of 4 inches if erosion control is an issue.





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06-05-2020

WUI2020-346934

APN:

VMP:

Notification Date:

Initial Inspection Date: 06-01-2020

Notice to Abate Fire Hazard

Property Owner HON, LILY

Address 125 BAILEY PL **GLENDALE CA.912064702**

Site Location 125 BAILEY PL GLENDALE CA 91206

The next inspection will be on or after: 07-05-2020

The following violation(s) must be corrected in order to meet the minimum requirements for fire and life safety as set forth in Volume VI Chapter 49 of the Glendale Building and Safety Code.

GBSC 4906.3

Roof Clearance

Inspector's Comment: Cut back tree branches overhanging the roof of your house to make 3 feet of space

between the roof and the nearest branches.

GBSC 4906.3

Hazardous Vegetation

Inspector's Comment:

Cut tall grass and weeds to four inches in height or less in the front yard.

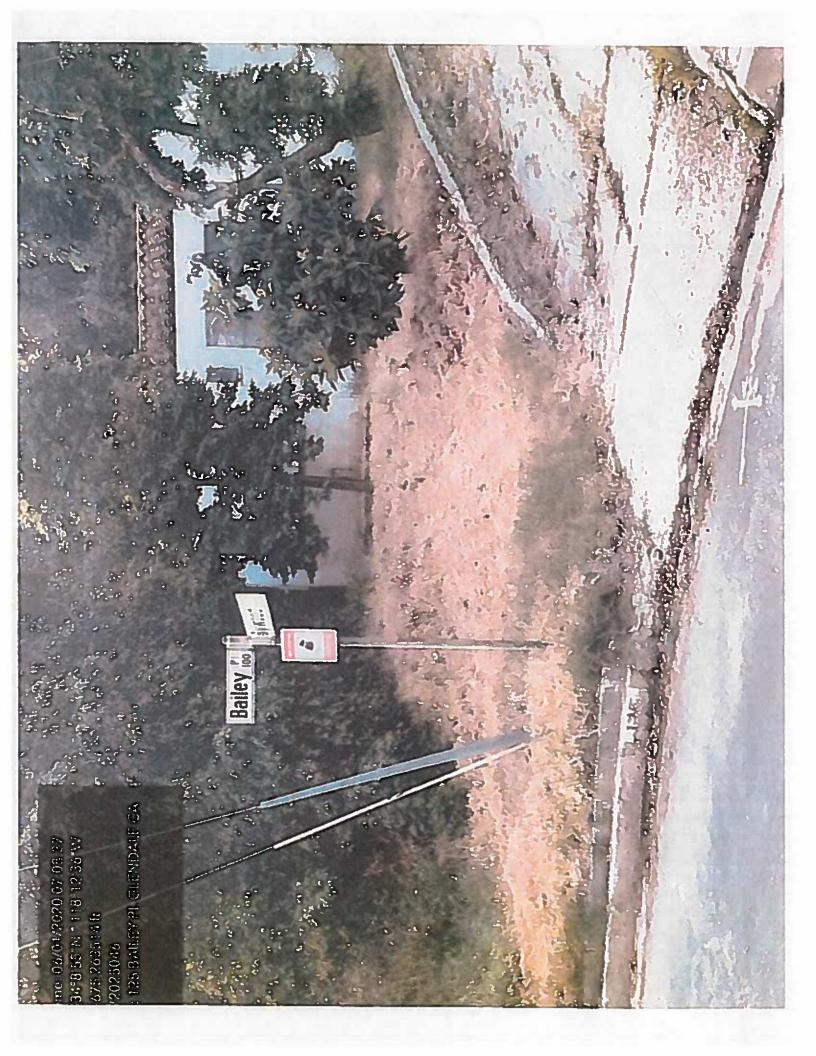
Cut lower branches off trees and shrubs to make 6 feet of space between the ground and

the lowest branches along the East side of the property.

You are required to correct the violation(s) noted above on your own property only. Failure to abate the violation(s) within 30 days may result in a declaration of public nuisance and removal of the hazard by the City, with costs of such action, plus a fee for each non-compliance re-inspection and an administrative fee, to be placed as a special assessment on the next regular property tax bill, unless such costs are paid within 30 days of notification of those costs.

Inspector: Jeremy Cawn

FIRE COMPANIES	FIRE DEPARTMENT ADDRESSES	
Fire Prevention Bureau	780 Flower Street, Glendale, CA 91201	(818) 548-3814 vmp@glendaleca.gov



CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA Glendale Fire Department

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Notice of Intention to Abate Public Nuisance

Property Owner HON, LILY

APN:

5672025046

Address

Compliance Inspection Date: 07-08-2020

125 BAILEY PL **GLENDALE CA,912064702**

Notification Date:

08-18-2020

Site Location

VMP:

WUI2020-346934

125 BAILEY PL GLENDALE CA 91206

The next inspection will be on or after: 09-02-2020

Your property was found to be in noncompliance with the Hazardous Vegetation Ordinance. If you are having problem abating the hazard, please contact your fire inspector immediately. We are anticipating your full cooperation with our Vegetation Management Program. Your participation in this program is essential to the fire safety for the City of Glendale, and we encourage you to contact us regarding questions you may have.

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Hazardous Vegetation

Inspector's Comment: Cut tall grass and weeds to four inches in height or less in the front yard.

No abatement work performed

Cut lower branches off trees and shrubs to make 6 feet of space between the ground and

the lowest branches along the East side of the property.

As the owner shown on the last equalized assessment roll of the above noted property, you are hereby notified that the undersigned, pursuant to the Glendale Building and Safety Code, Volume VI, Chapter 49 determined that there exists upon said property the above noted condition which constitutes a public nuisance pursuant to the provisions of the Glendale Building and Safety Code, Volume VI, Chapter 49.

You are hereby notified to abate said nuisance within 15 days from the date of mailing of this notice, and upon your failure to do so, the same will be abated by whatever action necessary by the City and the costs thereof, together with administrative costs, will be assessed to you as owner of the property upon which said public nuisance is located.

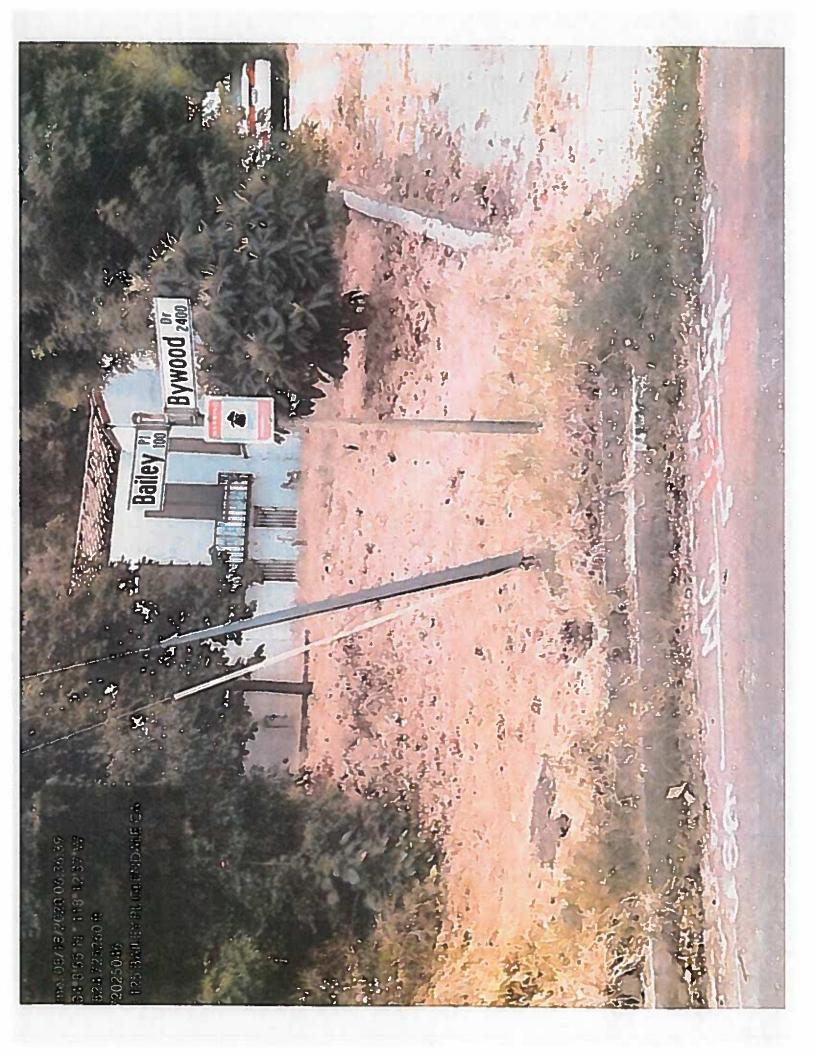
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As owner of the property on which said public nuisance is located, you are hereby notified that you may, within 10 days after the mailing of this notice of intention, request in writing to the Fire Department a public hearing to contest the finding of the public nuisance on said property. If such a request is not received by the Fire Chief within such 10 day period, the Chief shall have the authority to abate said public nuisance and assess the costs as aforesaid without a public hearing. You may submit a sworn written statement within said 10 day period setting forth your position and intentions regarding the public nuisance on said property with your reasons for denial and such may be construed as a request for hearing at which your presence is not required. You may appear in person at any hearing requested by you or, in lieu thereof, may present a sworn written statement aforesaid in time for consideration at such a hearing.

Please contact your fire inspector if you have any questions or would like further information.

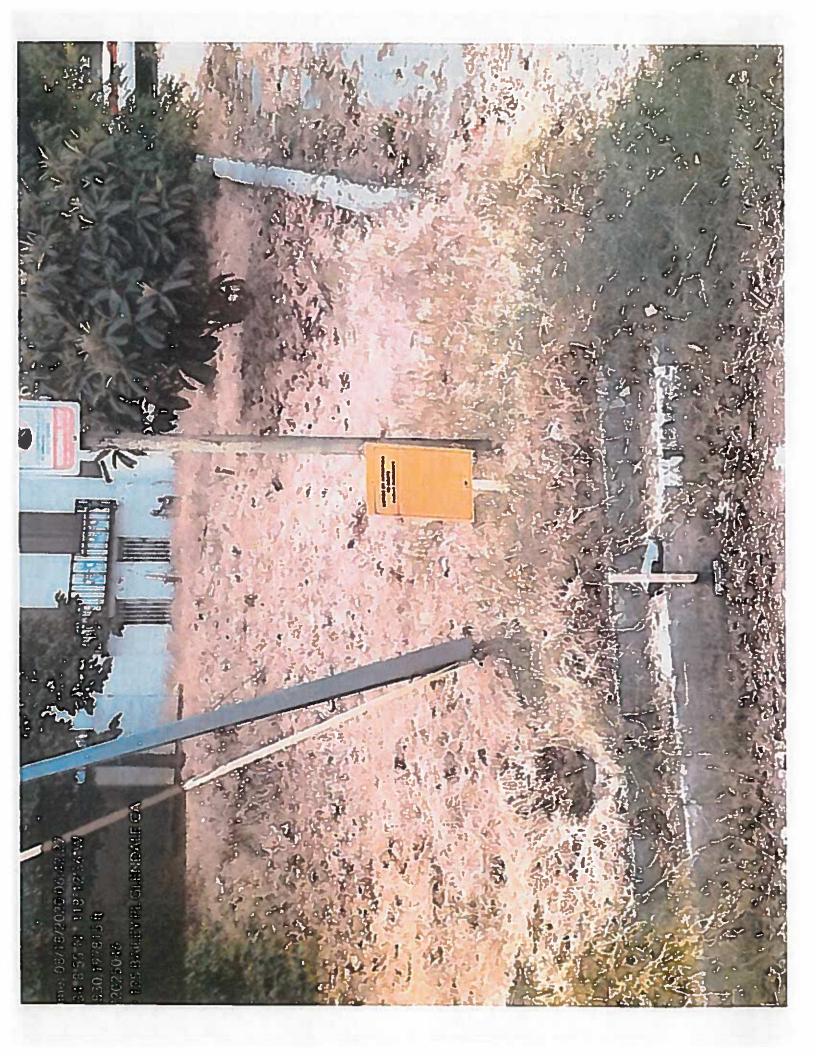
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SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you. Attach this card to the back of the malipiece,	A. Signature X Agent Addressee B. Received by (Printed Name) C. Date of Delivery	
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HON, LILY 125 BAILEY PLACE GLENDALE, CA 91		

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5	Attorneys for THE CITY OF GLENDALE		
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7	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
8	FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GLENDALE JUDICIAL DISTRICT		
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10		Case No.:	
11	IN THE MATTER OF:	APPLICATION FOR INSPECTION	
12	GLENDALE, CA 91206	WARRANT UNDER CCP §§ 1822.50, ET SEQ.; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES	
13		[Filed concurrently with Declaration of Jeremy	
14		Cawn, Fire Inspector]	
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17	THE CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY make an application for		
18	an Inspection Warrant to abate a public nuisance ("Application") as provided for by California		
19	Code of Civil Procedure sections 1822.50 et seq. This Application is based on the attached		
20	Memorandum of Points and Authorities, on the declarations and exhibits submitted herewith;		
21	and any oral or documentary evidence which may be presented to the Court.		
22	Respectfully Submitted:		
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24	Dated: 9/25/20	MICHAEL GARCIA, CITY ATTORNEY	
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27		DAVID LIGTENBERG Deputy City Attorney	
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Application for Inspection Warrant - 1

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

The City of Glendale, California, Building and Safety Code ("GBSC") provides that hazardous vegetation, as defined in GBSC Volume VI, section 4906.1.3, is a public nuisance and subject to abatement. As will be demonstrated below and supported by the Declaration of Jeremy Cawn, Fire Inspector, such a nuisance exists at 125 Bailey Place in the City of Glendale. An Inspection Warrant is now necessary to abate this nuisance, given the immediate fire, life, health, and safety hazards at the property.

II. FACTS

The Fire Prevention Bureau of the Glendale Fire Department conducts periodic inspections of property and communities within the City of Glendale. These inspections seek to enforce GBSC VI.4906.1.2 which prohibits hazardous vegetation in order to protect the whole community from risks to health, safety, and property from wildfires. Inspections are guided by particular definitions and requirements in GBSC VI.4906.1.3.

On June 1, 2020, Fire Inspector Jeremy Cawn noted violations of the code at 125 Bailey Place. He provided written notice via certified mail to the property owner that the violations constituted a public nuisance, according to procedures set forth in GBSC VI.4906.1.3.14, and requesting that particular actions take place to remedy the nuisance within 30 days.

Upon re-inspection on July 8, 2020, no changes or improvements were noted regarding the recorded violations. Next, according to procedures set forth in GBSC VI.4906.2.2, Mr. Cawn posted notice on the subject property on August 18, 2020, and sent notice that the City intends to abate the public nuisance. GBSC VI.4906.2.2 requires that such notice be posted and mailed not less than 15 days prior to the date of the City's proposed abatement. Those 15 days concluded on September 2, 2020.

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III. ABSENT CONSENT TO ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY, A WARRANT IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO ENTRY FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION

The Fourth Amendment requires that the City obtain an Inspection Warrant for the nonconsensual inspection of private property. (Camara v. Municipal Court (1967) 387 U.S. 523, 528-529.) As detailed, such a warrant is appropriate based on the facts of this case and is the appropriate vehicle for abatement of the nuisance.

This Court Is Authorized by CCP §§ 1822.50 et seq. to Issue an Inspection A) Warrant to the City of Glendale

Section 1822.50 of the Code of Civil Procedure defines administrative inspection warrants and places them in the context of "any inspection required or authorized by state or local law or regulation relating to building, fire, safety, plumbing, electrical, health, labor, or zoning." CCP section 1822.51 provides that:

> An inspection warrant shall be issued upon cause, unless some other provision of state or federal law makes another standard applicable. An inspection warrant shall be supported by an affidavit, particularly describing the place, dwelling, structure, premises, or vehicle to be inspected and the purpose for which the inspection is made. In addition, the affidavit shall contain either a statement that consent to inspect has been sought and refused or facts or circumstances reasonably justifying the failure to seek such consent.

Accordingly, as such a warrant shall be issued upon cause, pursuant to CCP § 1822.52:

Cause shall be deemed to exist if either reasonable legislative or administrative standards for conducting a routine or area inspection are satisfied with respect to the particular place, dwelling, structure, premises, or vehicle, or there is reason to believe that a condition of nonconformity exists with respect to the particular place, dwelling, structure, premises, or vehicle.

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A city has authority to declare what constitutes a public nuisance and to enact regulations designed to eliminate or reduce such a nuisance. (Gov. Code § 38771; see also Cal. Const., art. XI, § 7.) In City and County of San Francisco v. Municipal Court (1985) 167 Cal.App.3d 712, 719, the court stated that a civil inspection warrant must be justified by reasonable governmental interests. Where the governmental interest at stake is to enforce building standards and thereby prevent conditions that are hazardous to public health and safety, the test for determining reasonableness may vary with the particular municipal program being enforced. (Id.)

Finally, when abatement is warranted, or when simultaneous inspection and abatement must occur, the procedure set forth in these sections still holds. In *Gleaves v. Waters* (1985) 175 Cal.App.3d 413, the court approved of the use of CCP section 1822.50 et seq. to obtain warrants solely for abatement activity. And in *Flahive v. City of Dana Point* (1999) 72 Cal.App.4th 241, 246 at fn. 8, the court cited the *Gleaves* holding with approval, finding the procurement of an inspection warrant to be the valid procedure for abatement of a nuisance by a local official.

B) All Prerequisites for the Issuance of an Inspection Warrant Are Met in the Instant Action

This Application satisfies all prerequisites for the issuance of an Inspection Warrant. As required by CCP section 1822.54, the proposed Inspection Warrant describes each place, dwelling, structure, premises, or vehicle to be inspected and designates the purpose and limitations of the inspection. As provided in CCP section 1822.55, the proposed Inspection Warrant is effective for not more than fourteen (14) days. The proposed Warrant provides that the inspection shall be made within prescribed hours and in the manner required by CCP section 1822.56.

IV. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing and the Declaration of Jeremy Cawn, Fire Inspector, attached hereto, the City of Glendale respectfully request that this Court issue an Inspection Warrant to permit the City of Glendale to enter onto the subject property in the absence of the owner and use reasonable force as necessary to abate the stated nuisance so that the property is in compliance with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to GBSC VI.4906 and to eliminate the threat to the public's health and safety.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dated: 9/25/26

MICHAEL GARCIA, CITY ATTORNEY

DAVID LIGTENBERG Deputy City Attorney

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Administrative Inspection Warrant to Abate Hazardous Conditions

To the City of Glendale; and to Jeremy Cawn, Fire Inspector; and to any other Code Enforcement Officer of the City of Glendale.

Proof by affidavit having been made this day before me by Jeremy Cawn, Fire Inspector for the Fire Prevention Bureau of the City of Glendale, and it appearing that there is sufficient cause to believe that there is now located at 125 Bailey Place, Glendale, California, certain personal property and uses of real property, with Glendale Building and Safety Code violations.

The purpose of the inspection shall be to ascertain the extent of imminently dangerous code violations throughout the exterior of said Property and to immediately abate all such violations. Violations known to exist are insufficient roof clearance and hazardous vegetation in the front yard and along the east side of the property.

YOU ARE THEREFORE COMMANDED to make an inspection search of the exterior only of the premises described above within fourteen (14) days from the date of this Warrant, for the violations described above, and after making the inspection search, you are directed to make a return to this Court in accordance with Section 1822.55 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Service of this Warrant may not be made between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., of the succeeding day. Execution of this warrant may be served in the absence of the owner or occupant of the Property and entry may be made through locked doors if necessary.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to have access to the exterior of the property in order to conduct an inspection and carry out the necessary means to abate and/or remove any immediate hazardous conditions and to properly secure the property.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to restrain or control any dogs or other animals that may be located on the Property with the assistance of animal control officers.

Dated: September 25, 2020

Suzette Clover

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT



City of Giendale Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau 780 Flower Street Glendale, CA 91201



HAZARDOUS VEGETATION ABATEMENT INVOICE

INVOICE DATE:

1/19/2021

DATE OF WORK CASE NUMBER:

09/30/2020

NAME:

WUI2020-346934

ADDRESS:

HON, LILY 125 BAILEY PL

HON, LILY 125 BAILEY PL GLENDALE, CA 91206

Customer Service (818) 548-4810 fpbinfo@glendaleca.gov www.glendalefire.com

INVOICE DETAILS

By certified mail

ABATEMENT WORK

\$3,240.00

ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES

\$ 374.00

TOTAL CURRENT CHARGES

\$3,614.00

TOTAL BALANCE DUE DUE BY 02/28/2021

\$ 3,614.00

PLEASE DO NOT IGNORE THIS INVOICE!

THIS WILL BE THE ONLY INVOICE YOU RECEIVE

If you fail to pay the full amount by the stated deadline, the charges shall be placed as a special assessment on the tax bill for the property pursuant to the procedure set forth in Section 38773.5 of the California Government Code.

Authority: Ordinance 5937, Volume VI, Glendale Fire Standards, Section 4906 5 et. seq. If you have any questions regarding this invoice, please call (818) 548-4810

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RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Make payment to
CITY OF GLENDALE
and mail or bring to the
address below

DUE DATE

02/28/2021

AMOUNT DUE:

\$ 3,614.00

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO CITY OF GLENDALE:

INVOICE DATE: 1/19/2021

CASE NUMBER: WUI2020-346934

NAME: ADDRESS: HON, LILY 125 BAILEY PL GLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU 780 FLOWER ST

GLENDALE CA 91201-3057

GLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT



FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

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GLENDALE, CA 91201-3057
PH: (818) 548-4810
WWW.GLENDALEFIRE.ORG



125 BAILEY PL

HAZARDOUS VEGETATION ABATEMENT INVOICE

Why did we send you this bill?
There was hazardous vegetation on your property that was declared a Public Nuisance and the City paid to have the hazardous vegetation on your property abated after you failed to abate it on your own. You are responsible to repay the citizens of Glendale for the work performed.

What if you don't pay the bill?

The bill becomes a special assessment against your property tax bill. If that bill does not get paid, your property may be sold after three years by the tax collector for unpaid delinquent assessments.

What we did to avoid billing you:
We tried many times to notify you so you could deal with the identified nuisance on your property yourself. We provided you ample opportunity in terms of time, and the inspector was available to address any questions. After exhausting every opportunity given, our last resort was to hire a contractor to abate the nuisance.

How we notified you:

- At the beginning of April, we sent you a brochure and letter giving you a "heads up" that brush clearance inspections will begin in May. The brochure laid out clear expectations about how to pass the inspection. A copy is attached.
- Your property was first inspected on June 1, 2020 and failed the first inspection due to numerous violations.
 You were sent a Notice to Abate by certified mail that identified the violations hazards. A copy is attached.
- On July 8, 2020 your property was reinspected. There was no compliance with the Notice to Abate.

- 4. On August 18, 2020, another reinspection was conducted. Because there was no substantial compliance with the Notice to Abate, a Notice of Intent to Abate a Public Nuisance sign was posted at the front of your property and a Notice of Intent to Abate a Public Nuisance was sent by certified mail. A copy is attached. A warrant was also processed.
- On September 28, 2020, a warrant was delivered to your property by a police officer, the Fire Marshal, and the fire inspector authorizing the Fire Department to abate the hazardous conditions on your property.
- 6. On September 30, 2020, the necessary abatement work was conducted.

Why did we have to abate the nuisance on your property?

Since we have limited resources, we only abate properties as an absolute last resort. Properties that are abated by the City meet one or more the following conditions: A history of failed inspections and non-compliance with Notices from the Fire Department; failure to make substantial effort to remove or reduce the hazardous vegetation present; the presence of hazardous vegetation within 30 feet of structure; the location and proximity of adjacent structures that are at risk from the hazardous vegetation on your property, and; the risk to firefighters entering your property to control a wildfire.

Can you appeal?

No. Your right to appeal has expired. During the enforcement process you had an opportunity to appeal. Once abatement procedures are completed, there are no more appeal opportunities.