



**TO:** Mayor Shaun Sipma

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Members of the City Council

**FROM:** David Lakefield, Finance Director

**DATE:** August 25, 2020

**SUBJECT: SPECIAL ASSESSMENT APPROVAL; 2020 NUISANCE ABATEMENT (4439)**

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**I. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

1. Recommend approval of the assessment roll for 2020 Nuisance abatement.

**II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS**

David Lakefield, City Finance Director	857-4784
Penny Johnson, City Treasurer	857-4771

**III. DESCRIPTION**

A. Background

Nuisance abatement project 4439 was approved by City Council on July 1, 2019. While the project remains open, those abatements completed by July 31, 2020 are required to be acted upon this year. All associated costs have been identified and included in the attached list.

The City wishes to certify the list to Ward County for collection with property taxes.

**IV. IMPACT:**

A. Strategic Impact:

The special assessment of nuisances is governed by City Ordinance section 22-6.

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

Provides guidelines for property owners and a mechanism for the City to respond to those in non-compliance.

C. Fiscal Impact:

This project was funded with cash reserves. Timely collection of the assessments will help ensure reserves are available to fund future nuisance abatements.

**V. ALTERNATIVES**

Alt one. The Council could deny approval of the assessment roll for 2020 Nuisance abatement. This would place the cost of abating nuisances on the shoulders of all property owners.

**VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS**

Council's approval of the assessment roll will allow staff to move forward with processing the loans resulting in inclusion in the annual certification to Ward County for collection.

**VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Nuisance Abatements 2020