

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF ALAMOSA NOXIOUS WEED  
ADVISORY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the *Code of Ordinances* of the City of Alamosa provides, at Section 2-236, for the establishment of standing advisory committees to provide input to council on matters of a recurring nature; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Noxious Weed Act, C.R.S. § 35-5.5-101, *et seq.*, requires, at C.R.S. § 35-5.5-107, that municipalities establish local advisory boards to, among other duties, develop a management plan for the integrated management of designated noxious weeds, which boards may either consist of the Council itself or of residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, Council desires the input and advice of City residents concerning the development and implementation of such a plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALAMOSA, COLORADO:

Section 1: The City Council of the City of Alamosa, Colorado, hereby appoints the sitting citizen members of the Alamosa Recreation Advisory Board and one City Staff Representative (Parks & Recreation Director), together with the Mayor (and the Mayor Pro-Tem, as an alternate) to constitute the Alamosa Noxious Weed Advisory Board (the "Board"), which shall be a standing advisory committee under the provisions of Section 2-236 of the *Code of Ordinances* of the City of Alamosa.

Section 2: The Alamosa Noxious Weed Advisory Board shall meet at least annually at a date, time and place as determined by the Board. Until the management plan for the integrated management of noxious weeds referenced below is finalized, the Noxious Weed Advisory Board shall meet more frequently to develop such plan. Meetings of the Noxious Weed Advisory Board may take place such that they are coordinated with meetings of the Recreation Advisory Board, at the discretion of the Board. The chair, secretary, and other positions of the Board may be the identical person as fills such position on the Recreation Advisory Board, but need not be.

Section 3: The Noxious Weed Advisory Board shall have the power and duty to:

(a) Review, modify, and recommend to City Council the existing management plan for the integrated management of designated noxious weeds and recommended management criteria for noxious weeds within the City of Alamosa. Once finalized, the Board shall review the management plan at regular intervals, but not less often than once every three years. The management plan and any amendments made thereto shall be transmitted to City Council for approval, modification, or rejection. As used in this Resolution, "Integrated management" means the planning and implementation of a coordinated program utilizing a variety of methods for managing noxious weeds, the purpose of which is to achieve specified management objectives and promote desirable plant communities. Such methods may include but are not limited to education, preventive measures, good stewardship, and the following techniques:

- (1) "Biological management", which means the use of an organism to disrupt the growth of noxious weeds.
- (2) "Chemical management", which means the use of herbicides or plant growth regulators to disrupt the growth of noxious weeds.
- (3) "Cultural management", which means methodologies or management practices that favor the growth of desirable plants over noxious weeds, including maintaining an optimum fertility and plant moisture status in an area, planting at optimum density and spatial arrangement in an area, and planting species most suited to an area.
- (4) "Mechanical management", which means methodologies or management practices that physically disrupt plant growth, including tilling, mowing, burning, flooding, mulching, hand-pulling, hoeing, and grazing.

(b) Declare noxious weeds and any state noxious weeds designated by rule to be subject to integrated management. The Board shall recommend any noxious weeds to be considered for designation by the Director of Parks and Recreation as noxious weeds pursuant to Section 14-51(a) of the *Alamosa Code of Ordinances*. Consistent with the definition found in C.R.S § 35-5.5-103(16), "Noxious weed" means an alien plant or parts of an alien plant that have been designated by rule as being noxious or has been declared a noxious weed by the Director of Parks and Recreation pursuant to Section 14-51(a) of the *Alamosa Code of Ordinances* , and meets one or more of the following criteria:

- (1) Aggressively invades or is detrimental to economic crops or native plant communities;
- (2) Is poisonous to livestock;
- (3) Is a carrier of detrimental insects, diseases, or parasites;
- (4) The direct or indirect effect of the presence of this plant is detrimental to the environmentally sound management of natural or agricultural ecosystems.

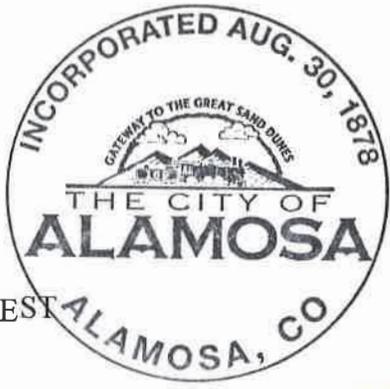
(c) Recommend to City Council that identified landowners be required to submit an individual integrated management plan to manage noxious weeds on their property when deemed by the Board to be necessary.

Section 4: City Council shall have the sole and final authority to approve, modify, or reject the management plan, management criteria, management practice, and any other recommendation of the Noxious Weed Advisory Board.

Section 5: The Noxious Weed Advisory Board shall forward the recommended plan to the state weed coordinator prior to submission to City Council so that the state weed coordinator may review the plan for any inconsistencies between the plan and the recommendations of the state weed coordinator or the commissioner of the department of agriculture.

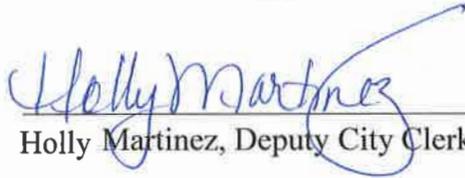
Section 6: This resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

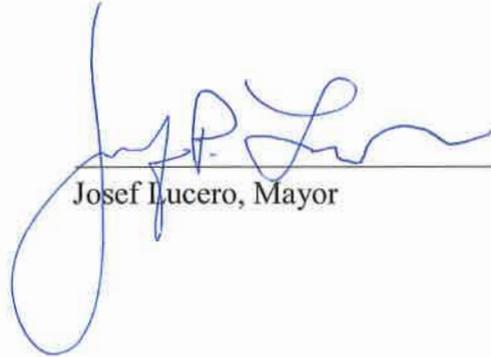
PASSED AND ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED, THIS 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2015.



ATTEST

CITY OF ALAMOSA, COLORADO

  
Holly Martinez, Deputy City Clerk

  
Josef Lucero, Mayor