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Social Nuisance Ordinance

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Introduction

- Tonight, staff recommends that the Council introduce an ordinance amending the Hayward Municipal Code by Adding Article 15 to Chapter 4 relating to Social Nuisances.

- The proposed ordinance holds property owners responsible for allowing social nuisances to repeatedly occur on their property.

The Social Nuisance Ordinance:

- Defines and prohibits social nuisance behavior.
- Creates a courtesy notice process designed to attain voluntary abatement.
- Authorizes staff to order the abatement of social nuisances.
- Offers a choice of enforcement options including administrative penalties up to $5,000.
- Provides an owner the right to an administrative hearing and a right to seek judicial review of an administrative decision.

The Social Nuisance Ordinance:

- The Social Nuisance Ordinance creates an administrative remedy for addressing chronic social nuisances.

Community Meeting:

- The ordinance proposed tonight includes changes made in response to the comments received by City staff at a community meeting held on October 18, 2013, and written comments submitted by stakeholders from the rental housing community.

Questions, Comments