

***AN ORDINANCE BY THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSBURG***

**ORDINANCE: 1199-22**  
**AN ORDINANCE BY THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSBURG AMENDING ORDINANCE**  
**1167-20 KEEPING DOWN WEEDS.**

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined by the Village of Williamsburg that there exists a serious problem with tall grass and weeds in the Village, and

**WHEREAS**, Council has determined that the tall grass and weeds upon private property and property contiguous to a street and/or sidewalk shall not exceed 12 inches, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDIANED**, by Council of the Village of Williamsburg that;

Section 1. Every owner, lessee, agent or tenant having charge of or responsibility for maintenance of the following described lots or lands, improved or unimproved, vacant or occupied, within the Village shall be required to cut noxious weeds, grass or other types of vegetation as hereinafter described:

1. All sublots in a recorded subdivision in their entirety.
2. All land which lies within twenty feet of a lot line which is adjacent to lots or lands upon which a residential or commercial building exists.
3. All land which lies within 100 feet of the right of way of a dedicated public street or roadway.

Section 2. Every owner, lessee, agent or tenant having charge of or responsibility for maintenance of any lot or land, improved or unimproved, vacant or occupied, described in this section shall be require to cut or destroy or cause to be cut or destroyed all such weeds and vegetation such as Russian, Canadian or common thistle, wild lettuce, wild noxious weeds, grass or other types of vegetation growing or being upon the lots or and as aforesaid other than trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plant, so as to prevent the same from exceeding a height of 12 inches.

Section 3. Zoning Administrator or designee shall provide a written notice of violation to the owner, lessee, agent or tenant having charge of or responsibility for maintenance of the lots or lands by regular mail that such growth must be cut within five days after the service notice.

Notice shall be sent to the address of the owner of record stated on the most current Clermont County Auditor's records or to any lessee, agent or tenant at their last know address.

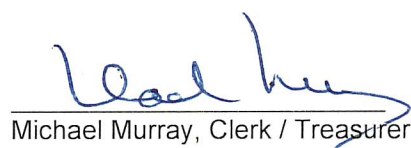
Section 4. Only one notice per calendar year. Every notice to cut weeds, grass or other vegetation shall state that if the notice is not complied with within the time limit provided therein, costs incurred by the Village in cutting such growth and administrative costs shall be entered upon the tax duplicate and shall be a lien upon such lands.

Section 5. If the owner, lessee, agent or tenant having charge of or responsibility for maintenance of the lot or land fails to comply with the notice, the Zoning Administrator or designee shall thereupon cause the noxious weeds, grass or vegetation to be cut and destroyed. All expenses of labor and costs incurred shall, when approve by the Zoning Administrator or designee be paid out of the municipal funds not otherwise appropriated.

The Clerk Treasurer shall make a written account to the County Auditor for actions taken to remove noxious weeds and tall grass and a proper description of the premises involved.

Section 6. Any owner, lessee, agent or tenant having charge of or responsibility for maintenance of the lots or lands within the Village who fails to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Each day of a continuing violation shall constitute a separate offense.

  
Mary Ann Lefker, Mayor

  
Michael Murray, Clerk / Treasurer

May 12, 2022  
Date Approved