

**CITY OF RICE
MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 2018-3**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE GROWTH OF WEEDS, GRASS, BRUSH,
NOXIOUS OR POISONOUS WEEDS OR PLANTS IN THE CITY OF RICE,
MINNESOTA.**

The City Council of the City of Rice:

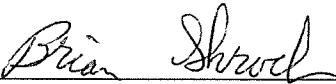
Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any owner, tenant or occupant of land in the City of Rice to permit or maintain noxious or poisonous weeds or plants on said land. It shall also be unlawful to allow or permit growth of grass, weeds, or brush exceeding a length of 8 inches on land in the City of Rice.

Section 2. In the event of failure to comply with the provisions herein, the City Clerk shall serve written notice once per calendar year, by US Postal Service upon the owner, tenant, or occupant of any such land to comply with the provisions of this ordinance. If the person upon whom the notice is served fails, neglects or refuses to cut and remove or to cause to be cut and removed, such weeds, grass or other plants within five (5) business days of the date on letter of such notice, a City employee shall cause such weeds, grass or plants on such land to be cut and removed at a fee of \$500.00 per empty lot and \$100.00 for lots with a structure. The cost of said fee includes cutting, removal of debris, operator costs, and administrative costs. Said fee shall be certified by the said City Clerk to the Council of the City of Rice. The city will send out invoices if the amount is not collected by the city so charged against said land shall be a lien upon said land and shall be added to the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon such land and said Council shall by appropriate resolution assess the costs above mentioned against said land and certify the same to the County Auditor of Benton County, Minnesota.

Section 3. Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not more than said fee in Section 2 for each offense.

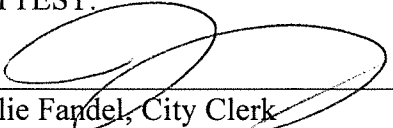
Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and the first day of publication.

Adopted by the Rice City Council this 5th day of October, 2018.



Dale Rogholt, Mayor

ATTEST:



Julie Fandel, City Clerk