

Ordinance No. 17 -18

By: Tim Madison

An Ordinance to amend Section 1492.01 in order to add "running bamboo" to the list of "Noxious Vegetation / Weeds", and to provide the Code Enforcement Officer with the authority to require the containment and removal of pre-existing encroaching bamboo.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1.

That Section 1492.01 is hereby amended as follows:

1492.01 VEGETATION/WEED CONTROL REQUIRED.

(a) No owner or occupant having charge or control of a premises in the City shall permit noxious or rank vegetation/weeds to grow thereon, constituting a nuisance or danger to public health and safety.

(b) "Noxious vegetation/weeds" are defined to include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Thistle
- (2) Burdock
- (3) jimson weed
- (4) ragweed
- (5) milkweed
- (6) mullein
- (7) poison ivy
- (8) poison oak
- (9) poison sumac
- (10) **Running bamboo, in instances where the bamboo plant is not confined in a manner that will prevent the bamboo from encroaching, spreading, invading or intruding onto any other private or public property or right-of-way. In such instances, the responsible party shall be the property owner of the property upon which the bamboo plant originated.**

(c) Vegetation of rank growth includes, but is not limited to grass/lawn areas that exceed eight inches in height and bushes, shrubs, flowers, trees, branches and limbs that extend into or overhang the public right-of-way. Such vegetation shall constitute a public nuisance or danger to public health and safety.

Section 2.

That the Code Enforcement Officer is authorized to require the installation of an appropriate barrier system and the removal of bamboo, which was planted prior to the passage of this ordinance, from properties adjacent to the property of origin, in cases where the bamboo is encroaching, spreading, invading, or intruding onto any other private or public property or right-of-way. In such instances, the responsible party shall be the property owner of the property upon which the bamboo plant originated.