

ORDINANCE 14-A

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CUTTING AND REMOVAL OF WEEDS, BRUSH AND RUBBISH FROM LOTS IN THE TOWN OF STRATTON, AND PROVIDING FOR THE DOING OF SUCH WORK BY THE TOWN IN CASE OF THE FAILURE OF THE OWNER TO PERFORM, AND FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE CHARGES THEREFOR AGAINST LOTS AND FOR THE COLLECTION OF SUCH ASSESSMENTS AS TAXES, AND FOR A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF STRATTON:

Section 1. It shall be the duty of each and every owner of lots, tracts, or parcels of land within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Stratton, once each year, no later than the 1st day of July, and each and every year, to cut to the ground all weeds and brush, and to remove the same, together with all rubbish any kind from said lots, tracts, or parcels of land and also from the alleys in the rear of and the sidewalk areas in front of said lots, tracts, or parcels or land.

Section 2. If any owner of such lots, tracts or parcels of land shall fail, neglect or refuse to cut and remove the weeds, brush and rubbish, as provided in this ordinance, within the time and in the manner prescribed herein, the Town of Stratton may forthwith proceed to cut and remove, or cause to be cut and removed, from such owner's lots and from alleys in the rear thereof and the sidewalk areas in front thereof, all weeds, brush, and rubbish of any kind.

Section 3. Upon completion of the work, provided for in the preceding section, a statement showing the cost and expense of such work, for such lot, tract or parcel of land, shall be filed with the Town Clerk, who shall present the same to the Board of Trustees at their next regular meeting, and the Board of Trustees thereupon shall determine and assess the amount properly chargeable against such delinquent owner and against his lot, tract or parcel of land on account of such work and any charges incidental thereto, as may be just and proper.

Section 4. The Town Clerk, forthwith after the making of such assessment, shall send by mail, addressed to each such owner of each such lot, tract or parcel of land, at his last known post office address, a notice of such assessment against his lot, tract or parcel of land and a statement of the amount thereof. If such owner shall fail, neglect or refuse to pay such assessment within thirty (30) days after the mailing of such notice to him, the Town Clerk shall certify said assessment to the proper officials of Kit Carson County, Colorado, to be collected in the same manner as taxes, as provided by law, and the same shall be a lien upon each such lot, tract or parcel of land until paid.

Section 5. Any person who shall violate this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fine in a sum of not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), notwithstanding an assessment that may have been made for the work of cutting and removing weeds, brush and rubbish as herein provided for.

Section 6. The Board of Trustees finds and declares that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety and, therefore, an emergency exists and this ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after publication

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thereof.

PASSED , ADOPTED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS 1ST DAY OF APRIL A.  
D. 1982.

E. L. KERL, MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST: JACKIE L. GARRETT, TOWN CLERK