

**ORDINANCE NO. 726
CHAPTER 28, SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – CHAPTER 28, SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

The proposed amendment would allow hazards & nuisances to be specially assessed more than once per year.

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment regarding the proposed amendment to Chapter 28, Special Assessments, Section 28-10.5, *Special assessment roll—Hazards and nuisances*.

There were no citizen comments

Whereas, the Council, after due and legal notice, has met and there being no one to be heard, motion by Councilperson Fox that the following ordinance be adopted:

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**TO AMEND THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR
HAZARDS AND NUISANCES**

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 28-10.5, *Special assessment roll – Hazards and nuisances*, Chapter 28, Special Assessments, to allow hazards and nuisances to be specially assessed more than once per year.

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso has a Special Assessment process to lien properties for unpaid invoices resulting from the abatement of hazards and nuisances; and

WHEREAS, the process allows properties to be liened only once per year; and

WHEREAS, recent circumstances have brought to light the need for more action to prevent a loss in the ability to collect such costs; and

WHEREAS, it is felt an amendment to the ordinance governing special assessments is essential to resolving this problem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Michigan that, Chapter 28, Special Assessments, Section 28-10.5, *Special assessment roll – Hazards and nuisances*, read as follows:

THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Sec. 28-10.5 shall read as follows:

Sec. 28-10.5 Special assessment roll--Hazards and nuisances.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 10.7 of the Charter, the assessor shall make a special assessment roll of all lots and parcels of land within the city upon which hazards and nuisances were found to have existed and for which the city incurred costs associated with altering, repairing, tearing down, abating or removing the hazards and nuisances. The assessment roll shall be prepared at least annually and shall list for each lot and parcel the amount of such cost that has remained unpaid for at least thirty (30) days.

Section 2: Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect January 8, 2012.

Section 3: Inspection.

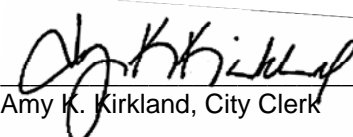
This Ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Bailey.

AYES: Councilpersons Eveleth, Erfourth, Bailey, Cook, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilperson Fox and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

I hereby certify that the foregoing document is a true and complete copy of action taken by the Owosso City Council at the regular meeting of December 19, 2011.



Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk