

Graffiti Nuisance Ordinance

Proposed Ordinance and Discussion

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Action

Adopt ordinance amending the city code to define graffiti as a public nuisance as part of the greater initiative to keep Bellevue safe, clean, and vibrant.

AGENDA

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Enforcement and education

Monitor and return in Q1 2024

Background

- Adopted 2023-2024 Budget: Keep Bellevue safe, clean, and vibrant
- March 6, 2023 Council direction
 - Ordinance declaring graffiti a nuisance
 - Education and assistance



Enforcement Practice

- By Code Compliance staff
- Complaint based
- Neighborly approach
- Voluntary compliance



- Education and informational materials provided
- Non-compliance results in civil violation and potential enforcement action

Education and Assistance

- Education and materials:
 - Provided by Code Compliance staff
 - Removal tips, resources, and referrals
 - Jubilee Reach assistance available for qualified need
 - Voluntary compliance goal



Potential future programming

- Monitor effectiveness and return to Council if additional adjustments become warranted
- Plan to return to Council in Q1 2024 for update and additional consideration

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Adopt ordinance amending Chapter 9.10 BCC to define graffiti as a public nuisance.