

CITY OF ALTAMONT

ORDINANCE NO. 425-07

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 422-06, THE
ORDINANCE REGULATING HEALTH AND ABATING NUISANCES WITHIN
THE CITY OF ALTAMONT, EFFINGHAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF ALTAMONT
THIS 29th DAY OF MAY, 2007**

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WHEREAS, the City of Altamont, Illinois has passed and approved Ordinance No. 422-06, an Ordinance Regulating Health and Abating Nuisances within the City of Altamont, Effingham, County, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, due to typographical errors and after careful consideration, the City Council of the City of Altamont deems it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Altamont to amend Ordinance No. 422-06.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ALTAMONT, EFFINGHAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS THAT:**

Section 1: Part I of Section II of the City of Altamont, Illinois, Ordinance No. 422-06 is hereby amended as follows:

“PART I. WEEDS

1. Obnoxious Weeds. Any weeds such as jimson, burdock, ragweed, thistle, cocklebur, or other weeds of a like kind, found growing on any property in the City are hereby declared a nuisance, and it shall be unlawful to permit any such weeds to grow or remain in any place.

2. Weeds, grass or plants, or other underbrush, other than trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plants, which have grown to a height exceeding eight (8) inches or more or allowed to flower are hereby declared to be a nuisance and the person, corporation, association, company, owner, lessee, occupant, or agent having control of the property shall cut or cause the same to be cut. The City may proceed pursuant to this Ordinance, or may proceed pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-20-7, to direct its attorneys, agents, employees, or contractors to cut such weeds and attach a lien to the subject premises for the cost thereof.”

Section 2: Part K of Section II of the City of Altamont, Illinois, Ordinance No. 422-06 is hereby amended as follows:

“PART K. DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS

1. Dangerous and unsafe buildings and/or Premises located within the City are hereby declared a nuisance. It shall be unlawful to maintain or permit the existence of any dangerous or unsafe building or the accumulations or storage of

garbage, debris and other hazardous, noxious or unhealthy substances or materials in the City, and it shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, lessee, agent or person in custody of any dangerous building and/or Premises to permit the same to remain in a dangerous or unsafe condition or to occupy such building or Premises or permit it to be occupied while it is or remains in a dangerous or unsafe condition.

2. The corporate authorities, police officers employed by or acting on behalf of the City, and/or other persons or agencies charged with the enforcement of this Ordinance shall have the right to enter any property at any reasonable time to inspect any facility, Premises, or condition thereon for the purpose of determining whether this Ordinance is being complied with. Refusal by any owner of right of entry shall cause the City to seek the permission of a court of competent jurisdiction for right of entry.

3. Upon discovery of any violation of Part K of this Ordinance, the City may direct its attorneys, agents, and employees to proceed pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1 et. seq. to abate the nuisance as provided for therein.”

Section 3: Except as specifically modified by this Ordinance, the remaining provisions of Ordinance No. 422-06 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall become effective upon its approval and passage as required by law.

Placed on file this 29th day of May, 2007.

Presented, passed and approved this 29th day of May, 2007.

Published in pamphlet form this 29th day of May, 2007.

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| Mayor Larry E. Taylor | <u>Y</u> |
| Commissioner Charles W. Jones | <u>Absent</u> |
| Commissioner Richard Frailey | <u>Y</u> |
| Commissioner Gerald White, Jr. | <u>Absent</u> |
| Commissioner Heidi Wilson | <u>Y</u> |

YEAS: 3

NAYS: 0