Amendment C to CB 121006 Nuisance Property Update Ord

Sponsor: Councilmember Hollingsworth

Refine Documentation Requirements

Effect: This amendment would also have the effect of somewhat narrowing the criteria used to reach a nuisance property declaration. As approved by the Public Safety Committee, the ordinance establishes that police incident reports can constitute the documentation needed to establish that "nuisance activity" has occurred. This amendment would require that such incident reports include documentation of a criminal violation. The concern is that incident reports could be filed for minor incidents or complaints, and that without direct evidence of an underlying criminal offense, these should not form the basis for nuisance property designation.

Amend section 2 of CB 121006 as follows:

Section 2. Section 10.09.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126098, is amended as follows:

10.09.010 Definitions

For purposes of this Chapter 10.09((, the following words or phrases shall have the meaning prescribed below)):

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"Nuisance activity" ((includes)) means any of the following activities, behaviors, or conduct that result in a police incident report describing a criminal violation or documentation of the offense that is written and filed by other City departments or Public Health – Seattle and King County:

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