

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-435

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Carrico

Date of Introduction: June 10, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R

Date of Analysis: June 10, 2025

Type of Action: *Ordinance Code* amendment

Bill Summary: This bill amends Sections 672.02 (Creation; composition, term of office), 672.04 (Declaration of public nuisance), 672.06 (Procedures), 672.08 (Remedies, orders and jurisdiction), and 672.10 (Appeals), Chapter 672 (Public Nuisance Abatement Board), *Ordinance Code*.

Background Information: The Public Nuisance Abatement Board was established in 2021 through Ord. 2021-83-E to address and reduce nuisance activities and/or nuisance conditions that disrupt quality of life and repeatedly occur or exist at properties.

In April and May of 2025, the Board discussed possible changes to Chapter 672 and agreed upon several recommendations to be forwarded to the Council for consideration:

- extend the term limit on the Community Advocate Board positions to 3 terms
- add additional qualifying offenses from Section 893.138, *Florida Statutes*
- allow for a nuisance to be proven if the qualifying conduct emanates from the nuisance property but occurs on an adjacent parcel or right-of way
- expand persons eligible to act as a complainant
- add findings of fact the Board must make before ordering closure of a nuisance property
- enumerate various remedies the Board may order to effectuate the eradication of the nuisance
- eliminate the \$15,000 fine cap
- specify a timeframe for issuance of written Board orders
- clarify instructions for appealing orders of the Board

Policy Impact Area: Public Nuisance Abatement Board operations

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City

Analyst: Hampsey