## RESOLUTION NO. 5, 2004

## RESOLUTION OF VALPARAISO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO "OUT SOURCE" MOWING AND GROUND MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

WHEREAS, the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety is responsible for preserving and protecting the public health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Valparaiso; and

WHEREAS, Section 72 of the Valparaiso Municipal Code empowers and authorizes the City of Valparaiso to remove obnoxious or troublesome weeds or vegetation from real estate located within the corporate boundaries of the City of Valparaiso; and

WHEREAS, the Valparaiso Director of Public Works has advised the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety that his department can best implement and fulfill the aforementioned responsibility by "out sourcing" that function through a private contractor; and

WHEREAS, the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety is desirous of accommodating the request of the Director of Public Works and in so doing authorizing the Director of Public Works to "out source" fulfillment of his responsibilities to provide for the removal of any obnoxious or troublesome weeds or vegetation.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety that the Director of Public Works should be and is hereby empowered to fulfill the aforementioned responsibilities in the following manner:

- 1. The Director of Public Works shall annually solicit quotations from registered contractors to provide mowing services to the City under Section 72.03 of the Valparaiso Municipal Code. The Director of Public Works shall review such quotes and make a recommendation to the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety for the awarding of the annual mowing contract.
- 2. That upon fulfillment of the notice requirements contained in Section 72 of the Valparaiso Municipal Code, the Director of Public Works shall remove the noxious or troublesome weeds or vegetation from the offending property through use of the private contractor. The private contractor shall bill the City of Valparaiso at the contracted rates.
- 3. The Director of Public Works shall forward the private contractor's billing to the property owner for payment and may add thereto an administration fee of an

amount not greater than \$75.00 per year per property.

4. Pursuant to Section 72.05 of the Valparaiso Municipal Code, the landowner shall have 10 days to pay the statement thereafter the bill shall be deemed delinquent and collected from the landowner pursuant to Indiana law.

ALL OF WHICH HAVING BEEN RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Valparaiso Board of Public Works and Safety this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2004.

VALPARAISO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

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