ORDINANCE NO. 2016.03.16
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
AMENDING THE "WEED AND RUBBISH ABATEMENT" ORDINANCE NO. 2014.09.17
WITHIN CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

The "WEED AND RUBBISH ABATEMENT" ORDINANCE NO. 2014.09.17 is hereby amended as follows, and shall hereafter be designated as CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ORDINANCE NO. 2016.03.16:

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Section 1: FINDINGS

A. The Board of Directors of Cameron Park Community Services District (hereinafter "District") finds and declares that the uncontrolled growth and/or accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and combustible materials or other materials or obstructions on sidewalks, streets, and on lands or lots within the District is dangerous or injurious to neighboring property and the health or welfare of residents of the District and is a public nuisance in that it creates fire hazards, conditions that reduce the value of private property, promote blight and deterioration, invite plundering, constitute an unattractive nuisance creating a hazard to the health and safety of minors, and creates a harbor for rodents and insects and is injurious to the health, safety and general welfare.

B. It is the intent of the District that this Ordinance shall apply to the abatement of the accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and combustible materials on all parcels within the District;

C. The District is located in a wildland/suburban interface in which many of the native and non-native plant species within the jurisdictional boundaries of the District are highly flammable during dry periods and have contributed to significant wildfires resulting in catastrophic fire losses to life, property and the environment.

D. The District has a diverse and complex landscape which includes mountains and other brush covered wildlands which are home to many rare and sensitive plant and animal species;

E. Of paramount importance to the District Board of Directors and the citizens of this District is the protection of lives and property from the threat of fire and the safety of fire and law enforcement personnel during wildfires; and

F. It is the purpose of this Ordinance to establish a hazardous vegetation and combustible material abatement program that protects the lives and property of the citizens of the District.

Section 2: DEFINITIONS

A. Accumulation of Weeds, Grasses, Hazardous Vegetation and Combustible Materials - Allowing the growth of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and accumulation of combustible materials as defined below.

B. Combustible Material – Accumulation of garbage, rubbish, waste or material of any kind other than hazardous vegetation that is flammable and endangers the public safety by creating a fire hazard.

C. Fire Chief – The Battalion Chief of the Cameron Park Community Services District Fire Department or his or her authorized representative.

D. Garbage – Includes, but is not limited to, the following: waste resulting from the handling of edible foodstuffs or resulting from decay, and solid or semisolid putrescible waste, and all other mixed, non-recyclable wastes which are generated in the day-to-day operation of any business, residential, governmental, public or private activity, and may include paper, plastic, or other synthetic material, food or beverage containers.

E. Hazardous Vegetation – Vegetation that is flammable and endangers the public safety by creating a fire hazard including but not limited to seasonal and recurrent weeds, stubble, brush, dry leaves and tumbleweeds.

F. Improved Parcel – A portion of land of any size, the area of which is determined by the Assessor's maps and records and may be identified by an Assessor's Parcel Number upon which a structure is located.

G. Rubbish - Includes all the following, but is not restricted to, non-putrescible wastes, such as paper, cardboard, grass clippings, tree or shrub trimmings, leaves wood, wood chips, bedding, crockery, rubber tires, construction waste and similar waste materials.

H. Structure – Any dwelling, house, building or other type of flammable construction including but not limited to a wood fence attached to or near any other structure.

I. Unimproved Parcel – A portion of land of any size, the area of which is determined by the Assessor's maps and records and may be identified by an Assessor's Parcel Number upon which no structure is located.

J. Waste - waste means all putrescible and non-putrescible solid, semi-solid, and liquid wastes, including residential, commercial, and municipal garbage, trash, refuse, paper, rubbish, ashes, industrial wastes, construction and demolition debris, discarded home and industrial appliances, manure, vegetable or animal solid and semi-solid wastes, and other discarded solid wastes and semisolid wastes.

K. Weeds - Includes any of the following:

(1) Weeds which bear seeds of a downy or wingy nature;

(2) Sagebrush, chaparral, and any other brush or weeds which attain such hard growth as to become, when dry, a fire menace to adjacent improved property;

(3) Weeds and grasses which are otherwise noxious;

(4) Poison oak and poison ivy when the conditions of growth are such as to constitute a menace to the public health;

(5) Dry grass, stubble, brush, or other flammable vegetation which endangers the public safety by creating a fire hazard.

Section 3: LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR DISTRICT ORDINANCE

The District has the legal authority to adopt the provisions contained in this Ordinance as specified below:

A. ***Government Code*** Section 61100(t) which provides the District the authority to abate weeds and rubbish pursuant to the provisions of the California Health and Safety Code at Section 14875 et seq.

B. ***Government Code*** Section 61069 which provides the District the authority to enter private property to: (1) inspect and determine the presence of public nuisances including fire hazards that the District has the authority to abate; and (2) abate public nuisances, including public nuisances constituting fire hazards such as excessive growth of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and other combustible material by giving notice to the property owner to abate such public nuisance; and (3) enter upon private property to determine if a notice to abate a public nuisance including a fire hazard has been complied with by the property owner; and, if not, exercise its power to abate such public nuisance after failure to act by the responsible property owner.

C. The ***California Health and Safety Code,*** Part 5 Sections 14875-14930, which provides that an accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and other combustible material constitutes a public nuisance, providing guidelines for enforcement and abatement by the District of such fire hazards, and payment of such abatement costs incurred by the District to remove such hazardous vegetation and combustible material, and provides for penalties for violations of this Ordinance by property owners.

D. The ***California Fire Code*** Title 24, Part 9, Chapter 3, Section 304.1.2 and Section 1103.2.4 prohibits combustible waste material creating a fire hazard on vacant lots or open space, which California Fire Code has been adopted by this District.

E. The ***California Code of Regulations Code***, 14 C.C.R., Sections 1270.01-1276.03.

F. The ***California Public Resources Code*** Section 4291 which requires a person who owns, leases, controls, operates, or maintains a building or structure in, upon, or adjoining a mountainous area, forest-covered lands, brush-covered lands, grass-covered lands, or land that is covered with flammable material, to maintain defensible space no greater than 100 feet from each side of the structure, and which provides for required fuel modification so as to ensure that a wildfire burning under average weather conditions would be unlikely to ignite the structure on the property.

G. ***Government Code*** Section 25845 regarding enforcement mechanisms available for the District to ensure that the costs incurred by the District in abating the nuisance consisting of accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and other combustible materials are recovered from the property owner who fails to abate such nuisance after notice from the District to do so.

H. ***Government Code*** Section 61115 which provides the District the authority to levy charges against property owners within the District for all the costs incurred by the District in abating nuisances created by accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation and other combustible materials: to provide for a basic penalty for the nonpayment of such charges of not more than 10% plus an additional penalty of not more than 1% per month for the nonpayment of the charges and the basic penalty; to recover such charges and penalties by recording in the office of the County Recorder a lien declaring the amount of the charges and penalties due, the lien to be incurred against all real property owned by the delinquent property owner within El Dorado County; and to request the El Dorado County Tax Collector to enter the amount of the delinquent weed abatement charges and penalties as special tax assessments on the current real property tax roll against those parcels of real property owned by the property owner who is delinquent in the payment of such charges and penalties. Such special tax assessments are to be collected in the same manner and method as real property taxes are collected by the county.

Section 4: PROHIBITED CONDUCT

A person shall not dump, nor permit the dumping of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, refuse, or other combustible material, nor shall a person permit the accumulation of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, refuse, or other combustible material on that person's property or on any other property so as to constitute a fire hazard.

Section 5: DUTY TO REMOVE AND ABATE HAZARDOUS VEGETATION AND COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL

It shall be the duty of every owner, occupant, and person in control of any parcel of land or interest therein, which is located within the District to remove, or abate, all hazardous vegetation and combustible material, which constitutes a fire hazard which may endanger or damage neighboring property.

The owner, lessee or occupant of buildings, grounds, or lots within the District shall remove from such property and adjacent streets all waste, garbage,, rubbish weeds, hazardous vegetation or other combustible materials growing or accumulated thereon in accordance with the procedures and methods prescribed in this Ordinance and by the enforcement official.

All parcels within the District, whether Improved or Unimproved, shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) Cultivated and useful grasses and pastures shall not be considered a public nuisance. However, if the District's enforcement official shall determine it necessary to protect adjacent improved property from fire exposure, an adequate firebreak may be required. All waste, dry grass, brush, vines or other dry vegetation shall be cleared for an area of not less than 30 feet from all structures, combustible fences, vehicles, and combustible storage. The enforcement official may require additional clearances when topographical or geographical conditions warrant said action.

(2) Any Unimproved Parcel of less than two acres (2ac.) shall be cleared of all waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material prior to May 1 or the start of fire season, whichever occurs first. Lots on which weeds, dry grass, non-cultivated pastures, or other hazardous vegetation exists, shall be mowed, and shall be cut to a maximum height of two inches so as to not constitute a fire hazard throughout the calendar year.

(3) Any Unimproved parcel or multiple contiguous parcels under the same ownership consisting of more than two acres (2ac.) shall either be cleared of all waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material or mowed as set forth in subsection (2) above, or shall construct and maintain a minimum thirty-foot wide firebreak around the perimeter of such property. Such actions should take place prior to May 1 or the start of fire season, whichever occurs first. Firebreaks shall be disked around the entire perimeter of the parcel. Scraping will also be allowed, provided that the scraped material is removed or spread evenly over the remaining property

(4) The District's enforcement official or his or her designee may require a firebreak of more than thirty (30) feet in width to a maximum of one hundred (100) feet in width, or less than thirty (30) feet in width, as a firebreak for the protection of public health, safety or welfare or the environment. The determination of appropriate clearance distances for firebreaks will be made based upon a visual inspection of the parcel and shall consider all factors that place the property or adjoining structure(s) at risk from an approaching fire. These factors shall include local weather conditions, fuel type(s), topography, and the environment where the property or adjoining structure(s) is located.

(5) Dry leaves or wood chips located on parcels must be disked or turned under or evenly broadcast over the parcel area. If leaves or wood chips are being retained for the purpose of mulch or compost, they must be placed in a container so as to not constitute a fire hazard.

Section 6: ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

The enforcement official shall have authority to enforce this chapter and issue citations for violations. For purposes of this chapter, the "enforcement official" may be:

A. The District General Manager or his/her designee;

B. The Covenants, Codes and Restrictions (CC&R) enforcement official of the District;

C. The Battalion Chief of the District's Fire Department, or his/her designee; and/or

D. The Park Superintendent.

Section 7: INSPECTION

The enforcement official, or personnel acting under his or her direction, may enter upon private or public property whenever necessary to enforce or administer the provisions of this chapter; provided, however, that this right of entry and inspection shall not be construed to grant the right to enter into any dwelling or structure which may be located on the land. Should the District determine that there is a reasonable expectation of privacy of the property owner with respect to the dwelling unit to be inspected, the District may request an inspection warrant pursuant to the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1822.50 et seq., which warrant shall state the location which it covers and state the purposes of the inspection. When there is no reasonable expectation of privacy, such as with respect to an abandoned dwelling or building, the District's designated enforcement official may enter onto that property without a warrant in order to inspect the property for the purposes of determining whether the provisions of this Ordinance have been violated.

Section 8: ENFORCEMENT

Violations of this Ordinance may be enforced pursuant to the legal authorities specified in Section 3 of this Ordinance following the procedures and timelines specified in Section 9 of this Ordinance. As an alternative to such enforcement procedures, the enforcement official retains the discretion to commence a meet and confer process with property owners determined to be in violation of this Ordinance to attempt to agree to a mutually acceptable method for abating the waste, vegetation and combustible material existing on such property. Nothing shall prohibit the enforcement official from issuing a hazard abatement notice to a property owner and following the enforcement procedure specified in Section 9 with respect to property owners who do not agree to a mutually acceptable abatement method after discussions with the enforcement official.

Section 9: ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE

A. Initial Notice of Duty to Remove and Abate Waste, Hazardous Vegetation and Combustible Material

On or before February 15 of each year the enforcement official shall mail written notice to all owners of Unimproved Parcels within the District stating that all waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material located on such parcel must be removed and or abated as specified in Section 5 of this Ordinance on or before April 1 of such year. Such written notice shall be mailed to all owners of Improved Parcels within the District with respect to which inspection of the parcel by the enforcement official reveals a violation of this Ordinance within 15 days after the discovery of such violation by the enforcement official.

B. Hazard Abatement Notice

If the meet and confer process described in Section 8 does not occur or does not result in abatement and removal of waste, hazardous vegetation and/or combustible material, the enforcement official may commence proceedings to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance when a violation is identified due to: (a) the failure of an owner of an Unimproved Parcel to remove and abate all waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material on or before April 1 pursuant to the Notice specified in section 9 A, or (b) the failure of an owner of an Improved Parcel to remove and abate all waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material within the time specified in the Notice described in Section 9 A. Enforcement proceedings are commenced by the mailing of a Hazard Abatement Notice in the manner prescribed as follows: The enforcement official shall mail the Hazard Abatement Notice to each person that has an ownership interest in the parcel to which the violation pertains. Ownership interest shall be determined based on the last equalized assessment roll available on the date of mailing of the Hazard Abatement Notice. Notification may also be accomplished by posting the Hazard Abatement Notice on the property if the owner's mailing address is not available or not current.

The contents of the Hazard Abatement Notice shall include the following:

(1) A description of the property by reference to the assessor's parcel number as used in the records of the county assessor, and by reference to the common name of a street or road upon which the property abuts, if the property abuts upon a road or street;

(2) A statement that there are weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, waste and combustible materials upon the property;

(3) A request that such weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, waste and combustible materials be removed or abated by May 1, which shall not be less than 15 calendar days following the mailing or posting of the notice;

(4) A statement that if such weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, waste and combustible materials are not removed or abated by the property owner by May 1, that such materials may be removed under authority of the District, and the costs of such removal and abatement may be made a legal charge against the owner or owners of the property, a lien imposed on and recorded against the property in the amount of such costs, and such costs referred to the County Tax Collector for collection together with property taxes on such property pursuant to the provisions of Health and Safety Code Sections 14875 through 14931, and Government Code Sections 25845 and 61115;

(5) A statement referencing the right of the property owner to appeal the issuance of the Hazard Abatement Notice pursuant to Section 10 hereof.; and

(6) With respect to notices which are posted, a title which reads "Notice to Remove Weeds, Grass, Hazardous Vegetation, Waste and/or Other Combustible Materials," the letters of the foregoing title to be not less than one inch in height.

Notices which are posted shall be conspicuously posted in front of the property, or if the property has no frontage upon a road or street, then upon a portion of the property nearest to a road or a street most likely to give actual notice to the owner. Notices shall be posted not more than 100 feet in distance apart upon property with more than 200 feet of frontage, and at least one notice shall be posted on each parcel with 200 or less feet of frontage.

Such Hazard Abatement Notice also will be sent by certified mail to the property owner of such parcel as her or her name appears on the last equalized assessment roll and to the address shown on such assessment roll.

Section 10: APPEALS

Appeals Procedure. Any person, who is adversely affected by the Hazard Abatement Notice specified in Section 9, may appeal such Hazard Abatement Notice to the Board of Directors within fifteen (15) calendar days of the postmark on the Hazard Abatement Notice by filing a written appeal with the enforcement official. Timely appeal shall stay any further action for removal or abatement until the date set for hearing, unless the weeds, hazardous vegetation, waste or combustible material at issue presents an imminent fire hazard within 100 feet of any structure. The enforcement official shall set the matter for hearing before the Board of Directors. The enforcement official shall notify the Appellant by certified mail of the date and time set for such hearing, at least fifteen (15) days prior to said date. If the Appellant resides outside the District, such Notice of Hearing shall be mailed to the Appellant at least twenty (20) days prior to the date set for the hearing. The Appellant shall have the right to appear in person or by agent, designated in writing, at the hearing, and present oral, written, and/or photographic evidence. The Board of Directors shall issue its order denying or granting the appeal, which shall be in writing and be issued within fifteen (15) days of the date of the hearing. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

Section 11: REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS VEGETATION AND COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL

If, by May 1 of any year as specified in the original Hazard Abatement Notice, or as extended in cases of appeal, or as specified by the Board of Directors, compliance with this Ordinance has not been accomplished, the enforcement official or his designee may order that waste, hazardous vegetation or other combustible material located on the property be removed by public officers and/or employees of the District, or may cause such removal to be carried out by a private contractor selected by the District.

Section 12: COLLECTION OF COSTS FOR ABATEMENT

When proceedings under this chapter result in the removal of weeds, grasses, hazardous vegetation, waste or combustible material from property by the District or its agents or contractors due to the refusal of a property owner to comply with this Ordinance, all costs incurred by the District in performing such removal may be assessed against the property. Such costs shall include the costs of labor, materials and equipment furnished by the District in removing such waste, hazardous vegetation and/or combustible material; the costs incurred by the District for payments to an independent contractor to remove such waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material from the property; all administrative costs incurred by the District in removing such waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material including actual costs of investigation, property inspection, boundary determination, measurement, clerical costs, related attorneys' fees, and administrative overhead costs for supervision, insurance, costs of publication, mailing and posting of notices; preparation of contracts with independent contractors to perform the abatement work; review of bids by contractors; administration of contracts for abatement activities; and other budgeted overhead items. If waste, weeds, hazardous vegetation and/or combustible material are ultimately removed from the property by the property owner subsequent to the deadline for removal specified in any Hazard Abatement Notice issued by the District, the District shall be entitled under this Ordinance to assess against the property all such costs incurred securing such compliance with this Ordinance by the property owner up to and including the final date of compliance.

The enforcement official shall keep an account of such administrative and removal costs of abatement, and shall submit to the District Board of Directors for confirmation an itemized written report showing such unpaid costs and their proposed assessment to the respective properties subject to the Hazard Abatement Notice. The report shall be filed with the General Manager not less than 15 calendar days in advance of the confirmation hearing required below.

Upon receipt of the report, a public hearing shall be scheduled in June to receive any protests and to confirm the cost report. A statement of the proposed costs and notice of the time, date and place of the hearing, together with reference to the report on file with the clerk, shall be mailed to the owner or owners of each parcel of property proposed to be assessed as shown on the last equalized assessment roll available on the date of mailing of the notice to the address or addresses of the owner or owners shown on the roll or any other address or addresses ascertained to be more accurate. Such notice shall be mailed not less than 15 calendar days in advance of the hearing.

Notice of the time, date and place of the public hearing by the Board shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation published within the District. With respect to each property proposed to be assessed for which the name of the owner or owners is not shown on the last equalized assessment roll, or no address for an owner is shown on the last equalized assessment roll, the notice shall show the name or names of the owner or owners as such name or names are shown on the last equalized assessment roll, the assessor's parcel number, the street address of the property if the property has an address and the address is known to the enforcement official, the name of the street or road upon which such property abuts if the property abuts upon a street or road, the amount of the proposed assessment and reference to the report on file with the enforcement official. Such publication shall be made not less than 15 calendar days in advance of the hearing.

At the time fixed for receiving and considering the report, the District Board of Directors shall conduct a public hearing and shall receive and consider any objections from members of the general public or property owners liable to be assessed for the costs of abatement. The District Board of Directors may continue the hearing and delegate to the General Manager or his or her designee the responsibility of hearing individual protests and submitting a recommendation with respect thereto; provided, that the District Board of Directors provides an opportunity for individual consideration of each property upon which abatement activities have been conducted by the District upon receipt of a recommendation by the General Manager. The District Board of Directors may modify the report if it is deemed necessary. The District Board of Directors shall then confirm the report by motion or resolution.

Section 13: LEVYING OF ABATEMENT COSTS AGAINST PROPERTY

A. The costs of abatement incurred by the District once approved by resolution of the Board of Directors of the District, shall be mailed to the owner of the property by July 1 demanding payment within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing, or by August 1. If the costs as confirmed are not paid by the responsible property owner by August 1, or within 30 days of the date of mailing of the notice, whichever is later, such costs shall be assessed against the parcel of land as a nuisance abatement lien in accordance with Health and Safety Code Sections 14875 through 14931, Government Code Section 25845, and Government Code Section 61115. The Notice of Lien shall, at a minimum, identify the record owner or possessor of the property, set forth the last known address of the record owner or possessor, set forth the date upon which the abatement of the nuisance was ordered by the Board of Directors and the date that the abatement was complete, and include a description of the real property subject to the lien and the amount of the abatement cost constituting the lien. Recordation of a Notice of Abatement Lien pursuant to this Section shall have the same effect as recordation of a money judgment recorded pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 697.310 et seq., and shall create a lien which has the same priority as a judgment lien on real property which shall continue in effect until released. On the order of the Board of Directors, or any designee of the Board of Directors, an abatement lien created under this Ordinance may be released or subordinated in the same manner as a judgment lien on real property may be released or subordinated.

B. As an alternative to, or in addition to the lien procedure detailed in subsection A above, the abatement costs incurred by the District may be levied against the parcel of land subject to abatement activities by the District as a special real property tax assessment in accordance with Government Code Sections 25845 and 61115. Any special tax assessment imposed on real property pursuant to this Section may be collected at the same time and in the same manner as ordinary real property taxes are collected by the County of El Dorado, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as is provided for ordinary real property taxes. Notice of any special assessment that is levied on real property pursuant to this Section shall be given to the property owner by certified mail, and shall contain the information set forth in Sections 25845 and 61115 of the Government Code. The District shall transmit the notice of such special assessment levied on real property pursuant to this Section to the County Auditor/Tax Collector of El Dorado County with instructions to collect the special tax assessment on the real property tax rolls for the ensuing fiscal year. Such notice shall be transmitted to the County Auditor/Tax Collector prior to August 10 in any fiscal year.

Section 14: VIOLATIONS

The owner or occupant of any parcel or premises within the District who violates this Ordinance or permits a violation of this Ordinance upon any parcel or premises owned, occupied or controlled by him or her, shall be guilty of an infraction. Violation of this Ordinance shall consist of the following: (1) failure to abate waste, hazardous vegetation and combustible material after abatement notice from the District; or (2) interference with the performance of the duties of officers or employees of the District or any contractor hired by the District for abatement activities: or (3) refusal to allow any officer or employee of the District or private contractor approved by the District to enter upon the property for the purpose of inspecting and/or removing any waste, hazardous vegetation and/or combustible material from the property; or (4) interference in any manner whatsoever with the officers, employees or contractors of the District in the work of inspection and removal as provided in this Ordinance.

Section 15: PENALTY - INFRACTION

A. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other section of this code, violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, or failure to comply with any of the regulatory requirements of this chapter, is an infraction.

B. Every violation of this chapter is punishable by:

(1) A fine not exceeding $100.00 for the first violation;

(2) A fine not exceeding $200.00 for the second violation within three (3) years; and

(3) A fine not exceeding $500.00 for each additional violation within three (3) years.

Section 16: SEVERABILITY

If any Ordinance, article, subsection or subdivision thereof, provision, sentence, clause or phrase of this code, or any application thereof, is for any reason held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this code, which can be given effect without the invalid portions and, therefore, such invalid portions are declared to be severable. The District hereby declares that it would have enacted this Ordinance and each of its articles, sections, subsections, or subdivisions thereof, provisions, sentences, clauses or phrases irrespective of the fact that one or more of them is declared invalid.

Section 17: EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption. The Cameron Park Board Secretary is directed to publish this Ordinance as adopted in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In lieu of publication of the full text of the Ordinance within fifteen (15) days after its passage, a summary of the Ordinance may be published at least five (5) days prior to and fifteen (15) days after adoption by the District Board and a certified copy shall be posted in the office of the District, and Cameron Park Fire Department Office, pursuant to Government Code Sections 25120 through 25132.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Cameron Park Community Services District this 16th day of March 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: GS, MM, AB, SM, HM

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST: None

Mary Cahill
Secretary of the Board

Greg Stanton, President
Board of Directors