



# City Council Priority #25

## Graffiti Abatement on Private Property

City Council Agenda: February 4, 2020

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October 17, 2017 City Council priority setting process adopted the Private Property Graffiti Ordinance:

“Explore an ordinance that will allow staff to warn private property owners to abate graffiti on their property within 72 hours, or the City will abate the graffiti and bill the property owner.”

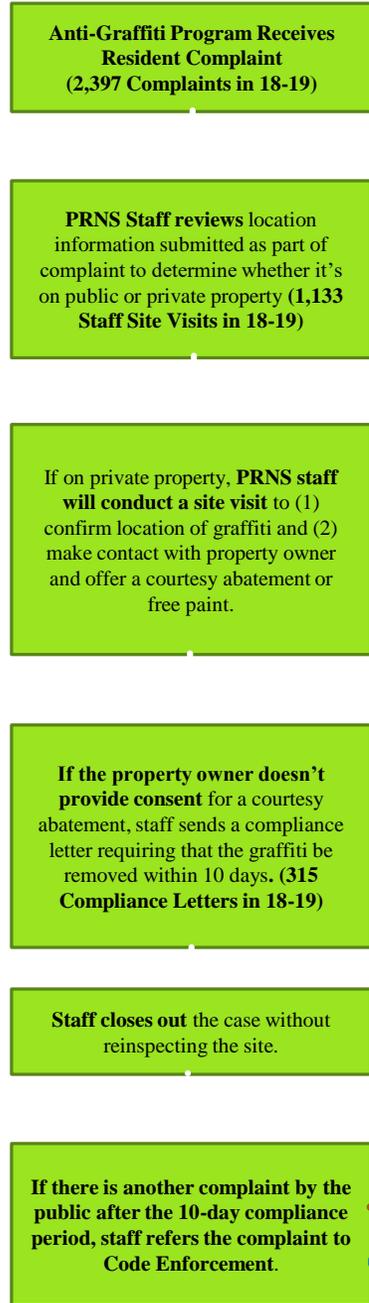
# Summary Abatement Process

- City Auditor recommendation in 2013: develop implied consent process allowing City to remove graffiti from private property without consent.
- City Attorney's Office reviewed and closed recommendation without implementation due to legal concerns.
- Staff does not recommend expanding the use of summary abatements – but recommends a process improvement.

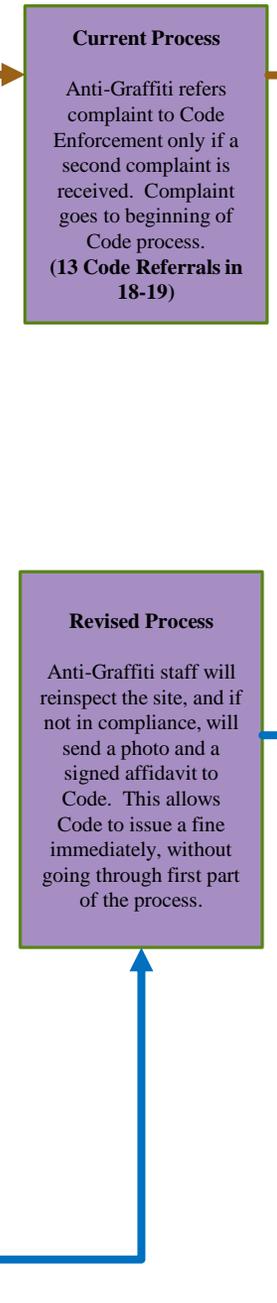
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<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Private Property Complaints Received</b>	<b>Staff Site Visits</b>	<b>Compliance Letters Sent</b>	<b>Complaints Referred to Code Enforcement</b>
<b>2016-2017</b>	1,715	1,658	602	35
<b>2017-2018</b>	1,985	1,551	509	54
<b>2018-2019</b>	2,397	1,133	315	13

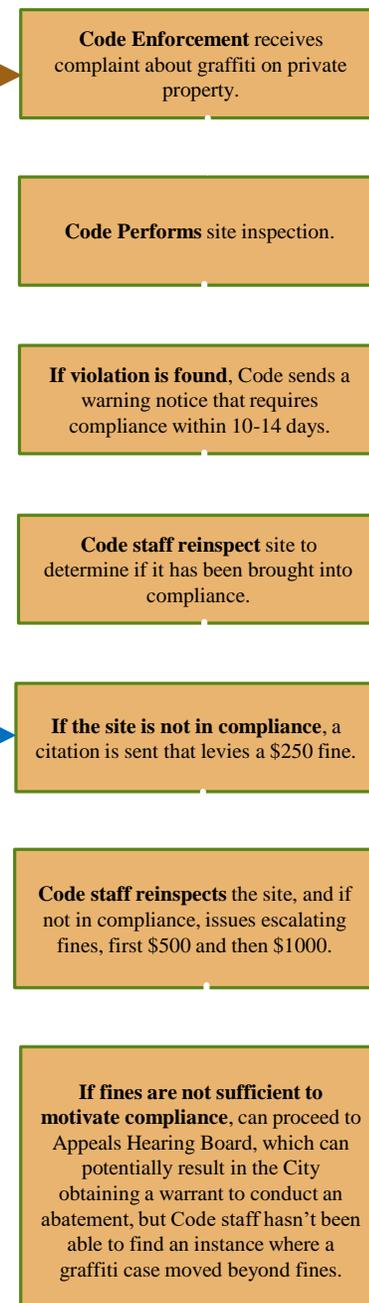
### Anti-Graffiti Program Process (PRNS)



### Linkage Between Two Processes



### Code Enforcement Process (PBCE)



# Recommendation: Process Improvement

Anti-Graffiti Program staff would reinspect sites where there is a second complaint, and forward complaints to the Code Enforcement Division, thereby shortening the abatement process.

This would expedite the Code Enforcement process to address graffiti that has been reported a second time.

# Other Policy Options

## Re-Inspections:

Perform re-inspections of all sites where a compliance letter is sent. Requires 1 additional FTE in Anti-Graffiti Program.

## Authorization to abate graffiti on private property through the business tax registration process:

Modifications not recommended as process is completed once when the business first registers with the City. (Would not capture existing registered business base or residential property).



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