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Elk Grove PD to Issue Administrative Citations

ELK GROVE, CA – In July of 2006, the City of Elk Grove passed Nuisance Ordinance No. 35-2006, designed to provide a just, equitable and practicable method for preventing, discouraging and/or abating certain conditions which endanger the life, health, property, safety or welfare of the general public and to provide City staff with enforcement regulations that can be effectively applied and administered in a fair, expedient, and cost efficient manner.

Effective immediately, the Elk Grove Police Department will begin issuing Administrative Citations to residents who are found in violation of the Nuisance Ordinance. Administrative Citations are infractions that can result in the following fines:

1st violation: \$100

2nd violation: \$200

3rd violation: \$500

4th and subsequent violations are misdemeanors and are arrestable offenses per Penal Code 853.6.

Ultimately, all home and property owners are responsible for paying any fines related to their properties.

As an example, officers responding to disturbance calls may issue an administrative citation. Disturbance calls frequently involve loud music, excessive vehicular traffic, alcohol, and

trash. In the past, officers generally gave the responsible persons at these disturbances a verbal warning. Now, with the implementation of the administrative citation, officers will be able to issue citations to those individuals deemed responsible for such disturbances. The ultimate goal of the program is to enhance the quality of life in our City.

The Problem Oriented Policing (P.O.P) Unit will be responsible for monitoring and tracking reports where administrative citations are issued. Information regarding the appeal process and debt collection process is printed on the back of the administrative citation. For more information on the nuisance ordinance and/or the administrative citation, please contact the P.O.P Unit at (916) 478-8110. A full copy of the Nuisance Ordinance can be viewed at <http://www.elkgrovecity.org/community-enhancement/>.