

## Agenda Item #8

## **Agenda Item Memorandum**

**TO:** City Commission of the City of Clewiston

**FROM:** Travis Reese, Fire Chief

VIA: Danny Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** June 4, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Discuss and direct staff on how to proceed regarding Recreation Vehicles on

Private property.

## **Background:**

Ordinance No. 2024-03 amends the Clewiston Code of Ordinances, § 50-7, Storage on Private Property.

Since the first reading of Ordinance No. 2024-03 on January 22, 2024, there has been further discussion during publicly held workshops reviewing Sec 50-7. During those questions and discussions these were the points of discussion:

- Public comment received during a regularly scheduled commission meeting. The
  question/discussion; is the enforcement of the ordinance being done by the city. The
  current interpretation and enforcement by the Code Enforcement Officer of Sec 50-7 was
  discussed in an open meeting. This question/discussion brought more questions, and the
  Commission decided to review the ordinance in a public workshop for further discussion
  and possible ideas for updating Ordinance Sec 50-7.
- A presentation was provided by the Community Improvement Division Supervisor during March 6, 2023, and September 26, 2023, workshop on the subject. This presentation and discussion at the workshop addressed the current ordinance and interpretation for enforcement. The workshop provided staff directions for recommended changes to the ordinance based on the discussion.

The public hearing and final reading of Ordinance No. 2024-03 on February 19, 2024, was tabled to allow time for the Planning & Zoning Board to review and make a recommendation. The City Planning & Zoning Board met on May 29, 2024, to discuss the ordinance and possible changes. A motion was made to remove the 60 foot and 10-foot restriction, with a recommendation for the City Commission to cap the number of items allowed based on square footage of lot. The motion was passed on a voice vote with 4 yeas, 0 nays. Board member Donnie Hughes was absent.

The public hearing and final reading of Ordinance No. 2024-03 on July 15, 2024, was tabled to October 21, 2024, to allow time for a joint workshop with the City Commission and Planning & Zoning Board.

A joint workshop of the City Commission and Planning & Zoning Board was held on October 14, 2024. After discussion, the City Commission requested that the ordinance go back to the Planning & Zoning Board for further review.

On December 16, 2024, the meeting of the Commission voted on second reading to pass Ordinance No. 2024-03.

## **Recommendations:**

Discuss and direct staff on how to proceed.