



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	June 8, 2023
Originating Department	Executive and Police Department
Contact Person	Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney Phil Hill, City Administrator and Mike Harden, Chief of Police
Title	Ordinance 23-1268/Amending Chapter 9.04 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, State Criminal Code Provisions.

Legislative History

- First Presentation – June 8, 2023, regular City Council meeting
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Attachments:

1. Draft Ordinance 23-1268 amending Chapter 9.04 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, State Criminal Code Provisions
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Summary

Chapter 9.04, State Criminal Code Provisions, of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (“LFPMC”), governs misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor crimes committed in the City. Review of the City’s criminal code was spurred recently by the State Legislature’s failure to act and then its action taken in special session regarding controlled substances, counterfeit substances, legend drugs, and drug paraphernalia.

Portions of Chapter 9.04 LFPMC were adopted almost 40 years ago, and a recent review identified a need to clarify and add detail to the City Council’s intent for misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor crimes. Amendments include explicit adoption of future amendments by the State Legislature; explicit adoption of class C felonies for the purpose of charging attempt, solicitation, and conspiracy as a gross misdemeanor; and deleting a reference to the Sheriff.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

No fiscal or policy implications are anticipated.

Alternatives

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adopt	The City Council's intent will be clarified, and additional details added regarding authority to prosecute misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor crimes.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not adopt	Prosecutions will continue without clarification or update of the City Council's intent.

Staff Recommendation

Adopt Ordinance 23-1268 amending Chapter 9.04 LFPMC, State Criminal Code Provisions.