

ORDINANCE NO. 1260

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 15.06 OF THE LAKE FOREST PARK MUNICIPAL CODE, CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AMENDING THE PERIOD FOR PERMIT EXPIRATION, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2004, the City Council adopted chapter 15.06 in the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code ("LFPMC"), Construction Administrative Code, by Ordinance 910; and

WHEREAS, chapter 15.06 establishes the administrative, organizational, and enforcement rules and regulations for the administration of the City's Building Code; and

WHEREAS, section 15.06.245 of the LFPMC currently provides that every building permit issued shall expire one year from the date of issuance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would reduce the expiration period to six months.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT. The City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park hereby amends section 15.06.245 LFPMC, Permit Expiration, as follows:

LFPMC 15.06.245 Permit expiration.

A. Every building permit issued shall expire 180 days ~~one year~~ from the date of issuance unless extended in writing by the Building Official. Prior to initial issuance, ~~The Building Inspector Official~~ is authorized to approve a request for an extended expiration date, up to 180 days, where a construction schedule is provided by the applicant and approved prior to permit issuance. Provided, however, e ~~Every building permit shall expire~~ no later than 360 days from the date of issuance.

B. Prior to expiration, a ~~Every building permit which has not been expired for less than one year~~ may be renewed for a period of 180 days ~~one year~~ for an additional fee provided as long as no changes have been made to the originally approved plans. No permit shall be renewed more than once. For permits that have ~~been expired for longer~~

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~~than one year~~, a new permit must be obtained, and full new fees paid. Every building permit shall expire no later than 360 days from the date of issuance.

C. Electrical, mechanical, and plumbing permits shall expire at the same time as the associated building permit except that if no associated building permit is issued, the mechanical and/or plumbing permit shall expire 180 days from issuance.

Section 2. SEVERABILITY. Should any portion of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY the Lake Forest Park City Council this 8th day of December, 2022.

APPROVED:

Jeff Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Matthew McLean
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kim Adams Pratt
City Attorney

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