

CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT COUNCIL 11/12/24

Presenter:	Jason Anderson
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, November 12, 2024
Category:	NEW BUSINESS
Туре:	ACTION
Subject:	Adoption of the Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 86, Article VI-1, Section 86-165 Structures in Residential Districts
Background Information:	The current ordinance prohibits fuel tanks over 50 gallons in residential areas. This provision was intended to limit a possibility of using propane to heat the entire house, thus minimizing potential fire danger and unsightly appearance. On the other hand, smaller tanks were permitted to allow for enough fuel for a fireplace or garage heater in otherwise electrically heated houses. It was recently brought up that even a 100-gallon tank will not be enough to provide heat for the entire dwelling, making it reasonable to increase the maximum tank size to 100 gallons. Provision for screening it with a fence will stay. At its September 24, 2024, meeting, Legislation and Ordinance committee reviewed this change and recommended approval. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on October 9, 2024, and unanimously recommended approval. The Ordinance amending Section 86-165 Structures in Residential Districts was introduced at the October 22, 2024, Council meeting.
Fiscal Impact:	None.
Alternative/ Variations:	None recommended.
Recommendations:	Planning Commission and staff recommend that the Council adopt Ordinance 24-022, which is the ordinance amending Section 86-165 Structures in Residential Districts and authorize its summary publication.