



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

Monday, July 12, 2021

Subject: Ordinance Amending Animal Control and Development Code Regulations

Category: Public Hearing

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Summary

Staff identified ambiguities in the Code related to farm animals in the course of conducting animal control inspections and enforcement actions in 2020. Specifically, farm animals were and are not allowed in Medina, but the Code was somewhat unclear about that status, inhibiting enforcement efforts.

The attached ordinance clarifies the City's Animal Control and Development Code regulations as they relate to allowing farm animals within the City, and will enhance enforcement when needed. The Council has reviewed these changes several times over the past months, endorsed them last fall and submitted them to the State Dept. of Commerce earlier this year for GMA review. The Dept. of Commerce passed the regulations without comment or alteration.

Approval of this ordinance will amend and clarify the City Code as it relates to keeping and maintaining farm animals in the City.

Attachment:

Ordinance No. 996

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Recommendation:

Conduct the scheduled legislative hearing and adopt the attached Ordinance No. 996 amending Medina's Animal Control and Development Code regulations.

City Manager Approval:

Proposed Council Motion:

"I move to Adopt Ordinance No. 996 amending the Medina Animal Control and Development Code regulations as presented."

Time Estimate: 10 minutes