

**CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON**

**Ordinance No. 1050**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO RCW 35A.63.220 AND RCW 36.70A.390; EXTENDING AND RENEWING THE INTERIM OFFICIAL CONTROL ADOPTED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 1043, RELATING TO ZONING, WHICH ADDED A NEW CHAPTER 16.25 TO THE MEDINA MUNICIPAL CODE (MMC) TO REQUIRE OUTDOOR LIGHTING TO MEET CERTAIN STANDARDS THEREIN, REVISING MMC 16.66.110 FOR CONSISTENCY WITH NEW CHAPTER 16.25 MMC; ADOPTING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF THIS ORDINANCE; SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING AS REQUIRED BY RCW 35A.63.220 AND RCW 36.70A.390 TO TAKE TESTIMONY ON THIS EXTENSION AND RENEWAL OF THE INTERIM OFFICIAL CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CORRECTIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, within the express terms of the Growth Management Act, the Washington State Legislature has specifically conferred upon the governing bodies of Washington cities the right to establish and adopt moratoria and interim zoning controls related to land uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City possesses land use jurisdiction and regulatory authority over the City's incorporated lands; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 27, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1040 to update the City's land use codes to allow for middle housing and additional accessory dwelling units consistent with State law; and

**WHEREAS**, with increasing density, adopting standards that allow harmony between residents are of increased importance; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to make sure such increased density and development does not vest to the existing lighting standards, the City Council deems it in the public interest to adopt an interim official control until such time and the City can process, consider and adopt updated permanent lighting regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1043 on June 23, 2025 which was an interim official control on lighting and directed the Planning Commission to work on permanent lighting regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the interim official control imposed under Ordinance No. 1043 promotes the public good and is necessary for the protection of public health, property, safety, and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission has not yet completed work on the permanent regulations and needs additional time to complete its work while the interim official control remains in effect; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council determines that it is in the public interest, safety and welfare to extend and renew the interim official control as set forth in this Ordinance; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, DOES  
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Findings of Fact.** The recitals set forth above are hereby adopted as the City Council's initial findings of fact in support of the interim official control established by this ordinance. The City Council may, in its discretion, adopt additional findings after the public hearing referenced in Section 6 below.

**Section 2. Interim Official Control Extended and Renewed.** As authorized by the police powers of the City as set forth, for example, in Article XI, Section 11, of the Washington State Constitution, and pursuant to statutory authority set forth, for example, in RCW 36.70A.390 and RCW 35A.63.220, the City hereby extends and renews the interim official control, as set forth in Ordinance No. 1043, which amends the Medina Municipal Code as set forth therein and established the procedures and vesting thereunder.

**Section 3. Public Hearing.** Pursuant to RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390, the City Council shall hold a public hearing at a City Council meeting within 60 days of adoption of this ordinance in order to take public testimony and to consider adopting further findings of fact, on or before February 6, 2025. The Council hereby schedules the public hearing for January 26, 2026.

**Section 4. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance.

**Section 5. Publication.** This Ordinance shall be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

**Section 6. Corrections.** Upon the approval of the city attorney, the city clerk, and/or the code publisher is authorized to make any necessary technical corrections to this ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors,

references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any reference thereto.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This extension of the interim official control imposed under Ordinance No. 1043 shall take effect five days after publication as provided by law and shall remain effective for six (6) months, unless terminated earlier by the City Council. Provided, that the Council may, at its sole discretion, renew the interim official control for one or more six-month periods in accordance with state law. This ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA ON THE 8th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025 BY A VOTE OF \_\_ FOR, \_\_ AGAINST, AND \_\_ ABSTAINING, AND IS SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION OF ITS PASSAGE THE 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025.**

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Jessica Rossman, Mayor

Approved as to form:  
Inslee Best Doezie & Ryder, P.S.

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Jennifer R. Robertsn, City Attorney

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Dawn Nations, Acting City Clerk

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