



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

Monday, November 14, 2022

Subject: Ordinance Amending Medina Municipal Code Chapter 9.04

Category: Ordinance/City Council Business

Staff Contacts: Stephen R. Burns, City Manager and Emily Miner, Assistant City Attorney

Summary

In 2021, the Washington State Legislature enacted Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1320 (E2SHB 1320) with the purpose of modernizing, harmonizing, and improving the efficacy of the state's laws concerning civil protection orders. E2SHB 1320 established a new chapter of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) to govern all types of protection orders, including domestic violence protection orders, sexual assault protection orders, stalking protection orders, anti-harassment protection orders (AHPOs), vulnerable adult protection orders, and extreme risk protection orders.

Section 9.04.040 of the Medina Municipal Code (MMC), "General Provisions" adopts by reference former sections of the RCW that criminalized violations of various types of protection orders and penalized such violations as gross misdemeanors. These references have changed with enactment of E2SHB 1320, effective July 1, 2022, and are no longer consistent with state law. In order for the city to effectively enforce the state's protection order violation laws, the City Council must amend MMC Section 9.04.040 to adopt the recodified laws by reference.

Attachment:

- Ordinance No. 1016, amending Medina Municipal Code Section 9.04.040 "General Provisions"

Budget/Fiscal Impact: None.

Recommendation: Adopt Ordinance No. 1016.

City Manager Approval: 

Proposed Council Motion: "I move to adopt Ordinance No. 1016, amending Medina Municipal Code Section 9.04.040 "General Provisions".

Time Estimate: 5 minutes