

Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Agenda Title:

• Bill No. 22-08 - An Ordinance of the City of Pleasant Hill, Missouri, Amending Certain Regulations in the Unified Development Code Relating to Landscaping Standards.

Department/Contact Person:

• Kristen Dorman - Assistant City Administrator

Background Information:

- While working with a builder on temporary occupancies for landscaping, it came to our attention that there was conflicting language in the code for landscaping requirements. This ordinance provides clean-up language to ensure clear requirements, and adds several updates to the language, including:
 - Eliminates exemption for single-family developments from minimum landscaping standards
 - Adds requirement for a tree to be planted in the front yard of new developments
 - Adds requirement for shrubs in commercial/industrial developments
 - Adds list of plants/trees not eligible for use
 - Changes cash escrow language for temporary occupancies related to landscaping
 - Eliminates the Chapter 50 landscaping requirements to avoid any further conflicting language
- The Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of this item to the City Council with three amendments:
 - Increase cash escrow amount from staff recommended \$1,000 to \$1,500.
 - Change time frame for temporary occupancy due to weather from staff recommended 90 days to winter season of December through March
 - Reinstate original tree caliper for single-family and two-family developments to 1 ½ inches

Financial Information:

• There is no financial impact from this agenda item.

Staff Recommendation:

• Staff recommends approval.

Attachments:

- Presentation
- Planning & Zoning Recommendation Memo
- Bill No. 22-08