MEMO



To: Mayor Olson and City Council

From: Jason Bond, Assistant City Manager

Date: February 17, 2023

RE: Amendment to Motor Vehicle Access Width Standards

It is proposed that the City Council consider amending language related to motor vehicle access requirements contained in SCC 10.16.040.

The attached draft ordinance would allow the Development Review Committee (DRC) to grant an exception to driveway width requirements. The purpose of the exception would be to allow an applicant that can show that a wider access is needed to accommodate the type of vehicles that are expected to use the access on a regular basis. There is acknowledgement that certain public facilities (i.e., fire stations) may need even more special consideration regarding driveway widths.

The Planning Commission reviewed the proposal and provided the following recommendation:

Commissioner Lance made a motion to forward a positive recommendation to the City Council to approve the code amendment which amends SCC 10.16.040 "Motor Vehicle Access". Commissioner Weight seconded the motion.

Commissioner Wood, Yes; Commissioner Lance, Yes; Commissioner Hoffman, Absent; Commissioner McNeff, Absent; Commissioner Nixon, Yes; Commissioner Weight, Yes; Commissioner Romero, Yes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Please see the draft ordinance attached to review the proposed changes.

Recommended motion: "Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 02-04-2023 which creates an exception clause for motor vehicle access width requirements."