



Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: April 14, 2022

Subject: Interim ordinance adoption

In conjunction with a development inquiry, staff has been reviewing the City's performance standards for new development. In reviewing the performance standards, the City has found that the existing performance standards are significantly below the standards of our neighboring communities. This could result in undesirable development outcomes and result in development that is inconsistent with the goals set forth under Section 16.20.060(A) which states that "it is the policy of the city to encourage excellence in site and building design of commercial and industrial development in zoning districts C-1, C-2, C-3 and I-1."

Staff is recommending adoption of Ordinance 479, which would establish a moratorium on the issuance of building permits that require a site plan review under Section 16.20.060. The moratorium will last until new official controls are adopted or six months, whichever is earlier.

A public hearing on amendments to Section 16.28 of the City Code governing development performance standards is scheduled for April 25, 2022. We anticipate amendments to be presented to the City Council at its meeting on May 2, 2022.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.