



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action – Ordinance No. 2 for 2026 – Ordinance No. 1340 – Repealing SHMC 5.08 Bicycle Dealers & Amending SHMC 5.24 Social Games, SHMC 5.28 Taxicabs & SHMC 5.32 Secondhand Dealers

Preferred Agenda: July 14, 2026

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Type of Action: Motion ☒ Resolution ☐ Reading ☐

Relevant Code/Policy: SHMC 5.08, SHMC 5.24, SHMC 5.28, SHMC 5.32

Towards Council Goal: Essential Services, Effective & Efficient Government

Attachments: Ord. No. 2 for 2026
Exhibit A – Redline Version of Amendments

Purpose of this RCA:

The purpose of this RCA is to repeal and amend sections 5.08, 5.24, 5.28, and 5.32 of Sweet Home Municipal Code (SHMC) to deregulate and modernize these sections.

Background/Context:

There are several sections of SHMC that staff have determined to be unnecessary and/or outdated. A first and second reading of the Ordinance were conducted at the June 23, 2026 City Council meeting.

The Challenge/Problem:

There are existing regulations in SHMC that are either not feasible for enforcement, not necessary for public safety purposes, or outdated in what they attempt to regulate. A summary of the changes to each section are as follows:

- SHMC 5.08 Bicycle Dealers: Repealed in its entirety
- SHMC 5.24 Social Games: Modernized and less prescriptive in terms of what games are allowed and how they are regulated
- SHMC 5.28 Taxicabs: Modernized to capture “For-Hire Transportation” (ex. rideshare companies) and removes licensing requirements; states that the City cannot regulate fares or pricing
- SHMC 5.32 Secondhand Dealers: Removes licensing requirement and simplifies regulation while preserving what is needed for potential law enforcement reasons

Issues and Financial Impacts:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of these changes. The changes preserve requirements deemed necessary for law enforcement purposes but otherwise lessen regulations for local businesses and citizens.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

Approval of changes that support public safety and appropriate regulation in accordance with the desired vision of the City Council and in support of local businesses and citizens.

Options:

1. Move to deny Ordinance No. 2 for 2026: The Code sections will stay as they currently are with no changes.
2. Move to conduct a first reading of Ordinance No. 2 for 2026 as proposed: If the first reading is unanimously approved, a second reading may be conducted by title only.
3. Move to conduct a first reading of Ordinance No. 2 for 2026 with amendments: City Council may propose revisions to the Ordinance.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends option #2: Move to conduct a first reading of Ordinance No. 2 for 2026 as proposed.