

ORDINANCE 2025-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTIONS 2.30.10, 2.32.050,
AND 2.33.050 OF THE TOPPENISH MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY
WHAT TOPICS MAY BE PRESENTED TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES
AND COMMISSIONS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND
ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS the Toppenish City Council has the authority to create various advisory committees and commissions to assist in examining issues that have come before the council or those prescribed by Toppenish Municipal Code, and

WHEREAS clarification on what topics and issues may be presented at advisory commissions and committees has been determined to provide support in efficiency and effectiveness to the commissions, committees, and City Council, and

WHEREAS the Council considered this Ordinance during its regular City Council meeting on February 10, 2025,

NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Sections 2.30.010, 2.32.050, and 2.33.050 of the Toppenish Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.30.010 Advisory commissions created.

A. There are established and created the following advisory commissions of the city:

1. Parks and recreation advisory board;
2. Planning commission;
3. Lodging tax advisory committee.

B. In addition to the above referred to advisory commissions, other advisory commissions exist including the civil service commission created pursuant to Chapter 2.40 TMC.

C. Advisory commissions shall only address issues referred to them by city council, or city staff.

2.32.050 Duties.

The public safety committee shall address issues referred to it by the city council, and state law ~~may also consider issues presented by the public, or by one of its members~~. In addressing an issue, the committee shall discuss it and decide whether to make a recommendation to the city council. The committee may take into consideration information and recommendations from city staff and any other source it deems appropriate. Examples of matters that the public safety committee may address include but are not limited to issues and problems related to police, fire and code enforcement departments, state legislation regarding public safety matters, and emergency management concerns.

2.33.050 Duties.

The budget and finance committee shall address issues referred to it by the city council and staff, and ~~state law may also consider issues presented by the public, or by one of its members.~~ In addressing an issue, the committee shall discuss it and decide whether to make a recommendation to the city council. The committee may take into consideration information and recommendations from city staff and any other source it deems appropriate.

Section 2. Severability: If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional or unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Corrections: The city clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary clerical corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the corrections of scriveners/clerical errors, and any references thereto references.,.

Section 4. Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective five days after publication of a summary thereof.

ADOPTED by the Toppenish City Council at its regular meeting held on February 10, 2025.

ELPIDIA SAAVEDRA, Mayor

ATTEST:

HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DANIEL B. HEID, City Attorney