

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Brad Medrud, Planning Manager
DATE: October 22, 2024
SUBJECT: Development Code Administration (Ordinance No. O2024-005)

1) Recommended Action:

This is a work session to review Ordinance No. O2024-005. The Planning Commission will be asked to set a November 12, 2024, hearing date for the ordinance.

2) Background:

SB 5290 amended the Local Project Review Act, Chapter 36.70B RCW in 2023, with the intent to increase the timeliness and predictability of local project review of development applications.

Following a briefing on September 24, 2024, and a work session on October 8, 2024, on the draft content of the ordinance, staff will be presenting Ordinance No. O2024-005 for discussion by the Planning Commission. The intent will be to ask the Planning Commission to schedule a hearing on the ordinance for November 12, 2024, so that the amendments in the ordinance to meet state requirements become effective before the state mandated changes replace the existing City requirements on January 1, 2025.

The Municipal Research Services Center has a good summary of the requirements that the City will be addressing and links to websites with more information here: <https://mrsc.org/stay-informed/mrsc-insight/august-2024/sb-5290-development-timelines>.

3) Alternatives:

None.

4) Attachments:

- A. Staff Report
- B. Ordinance No. O2024-005