2022 Annual Housekeeping Amendments

Other Housekeeping Amendments

Ordinance No. O2022-015

September 27, 2022

City Council Worksession



Issue

- During 2020 and 2021, staff gathered information on minor Tumwater Municipal Code housekeeping amendments to be considered collectively in 2022
- The proposed amendments are intended make minor corrections to the City's regulations

Review Process

• The other housekeeping amendments do not follow the TMC 18.60.025(A) process, but will be considered at the same time as the final docket of development code amendments in Ordinance No. 02022-013

Staff Report

For each of the two amendments, the staff report includes:

- Summary of the amendment
- Code section(s) to be amended
- Proposed amendment language

Other Amendments

The following amendments are a part of Ordinance O2022-015:

- A. Hearing Examiner Staff Reports Schedule
- B. Traffic Study Requirements

Hearing Examiner Staff Reports

- Review when a staff report is needed for a hearing examiner hearing
- The hearing examiner has asked that the date when staff reports have to be available be changed from the current five working days prior to the public hearing to seven days
- Amend TMC 2.58.110 Distribution of information

Traffic Study Requirements

Update the criteria for when a traffic impact analysis is required

15.48.060 Traffic study.

Nonexempt building permit applications for the following types of developments must be accompanied by a traffic impact analysis study prepared by an engineer registered in the state of Washington with special training and experience in traffic engineering and who is a member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers and submitted by the applicant:

A. Development that generates fifty or more vehicle trips in the peak direction of the peak hour on the adjacent streets and intersections; or

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B. Development that generates twenty-five percent or more of peak-hour traffic through a signalized intersection or the critical movement at an unsignalized intersection.

All developments that are estimated to generate ten or more vehicle trips, five or more truck trips, or one or more trips to any Interstate 5 interchange must provide trip distribution diagrams prepared by a qualified transportation professional even if a full traffic impact analysis is not required.

Recommendation

- At their August 8, 2022 hearing, the Planning Commission recommended approval of Ordinance No. 02022-015
- In addition, at their July 26, 2022 worksession, the Planning Commission removed the following amendment from Ordinance O2022-015:
 - C. Title 12 Sidewalks Obstructions, Maintenance, and Repair

Recommendation

- The Planning Commission recommended that the City Council consider a public engagement and a voluntary support program before moving forward with the amendments to Title 12
- The General Government Committee agreed with the Planning Commission recommendation on the ordinance and how the City should address sidewalks

Next Steps

Other Housekeeping Amendments (02022-015)

City Council

City Council consideration – October 4, 2022