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STAFF REPORT

Council Meeting Date:	September 8, 2026
Agenda Title:	Town Code Section 11-19(7) Noise Related to Building Operations
Requested Action:	Hold the Work Session
Department / Agency Lead:	Community Development
Staff Lead:	Rob Walton, Director of Community Development

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 11-19(7) of the Town Code allows building operations to take place between the hours of 8am and 7pm seven (7) days a week, except in cases of urgent necessity. The Town of Warrenton has, in the recent past, required contractors to obtain permission from the Town Manager to allow building operations to take place on weekends and Holidays even though the Town Code does not currently require the approval. Staff has typically placed Conditions on the approvals that any valid complaints would result in the revocation of the weekend/Holiday work approval. The purpose of this Town Code Text Amendment is to bring the Town Code into alignment with Town practices.

Staff proposes adjusting the language of Section 11-19(7) to require approval by the Town Manager prior to any weekend/Holiday work to control the amount of noise produced from job sites near residential areas. A recent example is a subdivision was allowed to conduct weekend work, however, after a valid complaint was received, the weekend work was limited to indoor contractor work only to reduce the amount of noise heard by neighbors.

Once the work session is complete and Town Council has provided clear policy direction to move forward, this item will be placed on the next Public Hearing agenda.

Background

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town Council should review the proposed Town Code Text Amendment and provide guidance on whether the proposed Code amendment meets the desired Town Council policy for administering the Town Code provision. Staff recommends conducting the work session and holding the Public Hearing at the next available meeting.

Service Level/Collaborative Impact

Adoption of the Town Code Text Amendment would limit the amount of noise produced from job sites over the weekend and during Holidays by making contractors aware that weekend work will be monitored and could be revoked if excessive noise creates a problem with surrounding residents.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the Town of Warrenton.

Legal Impact

There is no legal impact associated with the Town Code Text Amendment.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Town Code Text Amendment to Section 11-19(7)