

Public Safety Update: Code Enforcement

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Agenda



- Overview of Council Goals and Questions
- Background
- Potential Updates
 - Chapter 1
 - Separate Processes
 - Proposed Changes
- Next Steps and Future Considerations

Questions for Consideration



- Any questions/feedback regarding the alternatives analysis of the code provisions staff is performing?
- Is Council prepared to move forward reviewing draft code language for an updated process?

Background



- Problem & Project Identified:
 - Council Goal
 - Interdepartmental Team Review
- Research Strategies:
 - Chapter 1 Research
 - Processes Outside Chapter 1
 - Similar Jurisdictional Research

CHAPTER 1 CODE ENFORCEMENT



Existing Process: Chapter 1



- Chapter 1:
 - WC 1.011: Fines and Prison Terms for Misdemeanor Classification
 - WC 1.012: Fines for Violation

Processes Outside Chapter 1

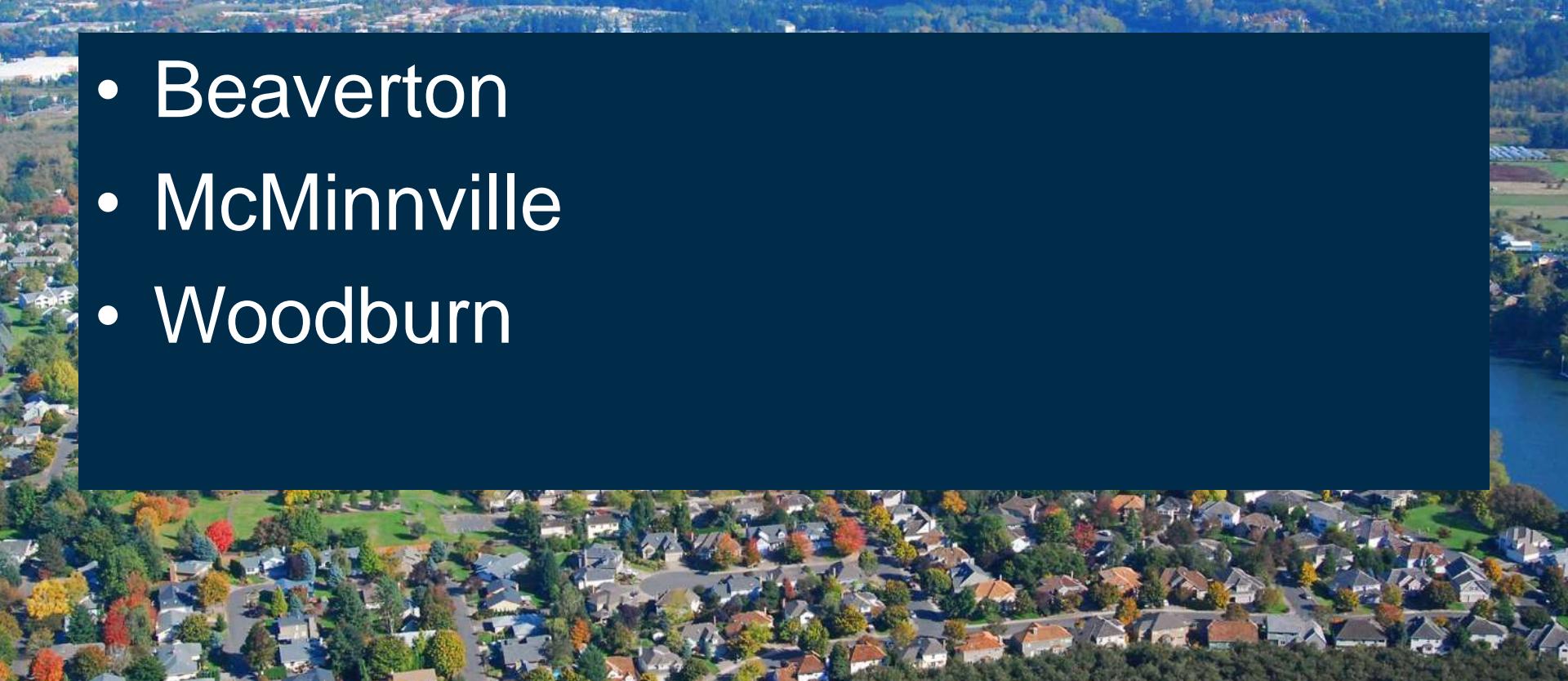


- Separate Processes:
 - Chapter 4
 - Chapter 6
 - Chapter 8
 - Chapter 9
 - Chapter 10

Other Jurisdictions



- Beaverton
- McMinnville
- Woodburn





PROPOSED UPDATES

Graduated Fine Structure



- Clarify Classification Process for Violations
- Greater Flexibility and Discretion
- Enhances Fairness

VCA and Appeals Process



- Codify Process Already in Practice
- Clear Timeline
- Introduce Appeal Opportunities

Clear Chain of Authority



- Adopt Internal Policy
- Assign Responsibility for Enforcement

Questions for Council



- Any questions/feedback regarding described programs?
- Any other alternatives Staff should explore?

Expected Results and Timeline



2026 – Draft Code Update for Chapter 1

2026 – Next Steps for Implementation

Questions?

