

77. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-6 relating to downtown parking and off-street loading requirements.

The public hearing was conducted and the motion to close the public hearing and approve the ordinance on first reading was approved with the following amendments on Council Member Riley's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voting nay.

There was an amendment made by Council Member Riley and seconded by Mayor Leffingwell to amend the ordinance to not delete 25-6-591(B)(1) (a) and (b) which removes parking requirements for small and historic buildings but have it read, "(a) for a use occupying a designated historic landmark or located in an existing building in a designated historic district. (b) off-street parking is not required for a use occupying less than 6,000 square feet, and instead increase the square footage to 12,000." The amendment passed on a vote of 7-0. There was a friendly amendment made by Council Member Spelman to have section (b) read, "off-street motor vehicle parking is not required for a use occupying less than 6,000 square feet, and instead increase the square footage to 12,000." The amendment was accepted by the maker of the motion and Mayor Leffingwell, who seconded the motion.

There was an amendment made by Council Member Riley and seconded by Mayor Leffingwell to add to section 25-;6-591(B)(2): "Eliminate parking requirements for any building that is within 1,000 feet of the required number of ADA spaces on-street. If a building is over 12,000 square feet and not within 1000 feet of on-street ADA spaces, the applicant must either secure necessary ADA spaces on-site, secure the ADA spaces off-site, or may work with the city to convert on-street space to meet ADA requirements." The amendment passed on a vote of 7-0.

There was an amendment made by Council Member Riley and seconded by Mayor Leffingwell to allow the use of the alley for loading and unloading by right. The amendment passed on a vote of 7-0.

There was an amendment made by Council Member Riley and seconded by Mayor Leffingwell to craft language in part one of the ordinance to make accessory parking available to the public a permitted use downtown. The amendment passed on a vote of 7-0.

There was an amendment made by Council Member Riley and seconded by Mayor Leffingwell to delete site plan requirement for off-site accessory parking, in CBD and DMU only in chapter 25-6-501 of the code. The amendment passed on a vote of 7-0.

There was an amendment made by Mayor Leffingwell and seconded by Council Member Spelman to strike subsection (B)3 eliminating a cap on parking. The amendment failed on a vote of 3-4. Those voting aye were: Mayor Leffingwell and Council Members Martinez, and Spelman. Those voting nay were: Mayor Pro Tem Cole, Morrison, Riley, and Tovo.

Mayor Leffingwell adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m. without objection.