



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3227, **Agenda Item #:** 40.

10/1/2020

Posting Language

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Title 25 related to demolition permits, including notification requirements.

Lead Department

Development Services Department

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

Resolution 20171214-066; Ordinance 20200917-067

On 9/17, Council approved the amendments related to utility requirements in the draft ordinance posted as Item #67 and directed that the remaining amendments proposed in the draft ordinance be considered at the next Council meeting.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

June 17, 2020 - Recommended by the Codes and Ordinance Joint Committee on a 4-0 vote (Commissioners Anderson, Denkler, and Barrera-Ramirez absent).

July 28, 2020 - Recommended by the Planning Commission on consent with a vote of 12-0 with Commissioner Hempel absent. Ex-Officio Commissioner Leighton-Burwell was present.

Additional Backup Information:

In 2017 the City Auditor conducted an audit of the demolition permit process. Their report identified necessary changes which led to a City Council resolution adopted in December of that same year. That resolution directed the City Manager to obtain feedback from stakeholders in order to redesign demolition permitting process. The resolution also initiated code amendments relating to requirements that reflect staff and stakeholder recommendations. The Development Services Department was the lead department assigned to this work.

Shortly thereafter the Development Services Department began stakeholder engagement which included four meetings with 123 attendees. The in-person engagement occurred in conjunction with online engagement via Speakup Austin.

Based on the recommendations received from both external and internal stakeholders, the Development Services Department responded to City Council's resolution with the Demolition Permit Process Report in

October of 2018.

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