

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET

Amendment: C20-2013-023 Accessible Ramps

Description: Consider an ordinance amending Title 25 of the City Code to allow placement of accessible ramps in required yard setbacks.

Proposed Language: See attached draft ordinance.

Background: Initiated by Council Resolution 20130808-060.

On August 8, 2013, the City Council directed the City Manager to initiate an amendment of Title 25 to exempt accessible ramps for dwelling units from rear, side, and front setback requirements.

Staff Recommendation: Recommended by staff.

Board and Commission Actions

September 17, 2013: Forwarded to Planning Commission without a recommendation by Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee on a 5-0 vote.

September 24, 2013: Recommended by Planning Commission that this item return to Codes and Ordinances subcommittee for further discussion on a 7-0 vote.

October 15, 2013: Postponed to a future Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee by the Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee on a 5-0 vote.

November 19, 2013: Forwarded to Planning Commission without a recommendation by Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee on a 5-0 vote, with direction to staff to work on language with stakeholders and Commissioners before returning to full Planning Commission.

December 10, 2013: Postponed at Planning Commission to Planning Commission January 14, 2014.

January 14, 2014: Postponed at Planning Commission to Planning Commission January 28, 2014.

January 28, 2014: Recommended by the Planning Commission on an 8-0 vote.

Council Action

October 3, 2013: Postponed to City Council November 21, 2013.

November 21, 2013: Postponed to City Council December 12, 2013.

December 12, 2013: Postponed to City Council January 23, 2014.

January 23, 2014: Postponed to City Council February 13, 2014.

February 13, 2014: Postponed to City Council February 27, 2014.

February 27, 2014: Approved on first reading with the following amendments:

1. Require the applicant to submit an affidavit that the ramp is for a person with disabilities.
2. Required that the ramp be no wider than forty-eight (48) inches, except for segments required for a run, which may be up to sixty (60) inches.

3. Require that the ramp not have a roof or walls, other than a railing.
4. Clarify that, in order to be eligible for the impervious cover exemption, applicants must use existing impervious cover to the greatest extent possible.

March 20, 2014: Approved on second reading with the following amendments and the public hearing was re-opened.

1. No statement or affidavit would be required.
2. No occupancy requirements.

May 22, 2014: Scheduled for third reading.

Ordinance Number: NA

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