City of Longview



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Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE NO. 3328 - EXTENDING AN EMERGENCY MORATORIUM UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTERS

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Preserve and enhance neighborhoods, address quality of place issues

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: REQUIRED

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Ordinance No. 3328 will extend the existing moratorium on siting emergency shelters for another six months, until April 15, 2017. The moratium was originally put in place by Ordinance No.3302 adopted on October 22, 2015. On April 14 the moratorium was extended for six months with the adoption of Ordinance No. 3318.

During the time of the moratorium, an ad hoc committee was formed to develop recommended zoning code amendments. The committee released their recommendation on April 13. On July 6, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the committee's proposed zoning code amendments. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission passed a motion recommending approval of the proposal.

On September 15, the City Council considered and held a public hearing on the proposed ordinance, as developed by the *ad hoc* committee. Based upon the testimony offered at the public hearing, the Council decided to reconvene the *ad hoc* committee and invite further participation from the community. This process is anticipated to extend beyond the current October 14, 2016 expiration date of the current moratorium. Thus, the moratorium needs to be extended. A public hearing on the moratorium extension needs to held within 60 days of adopting the ordinance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 3328 and to schedule a public hearing for the October 13 regular meeting

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