City of Longview

1525 Broadway Longview, WA 98632 www.ci.longview.wa.us



Legislation Text

File #: OR 16 3333, Version: 1

ORDINANCE NO. 3333 ADOPTING UPDATES TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE SITING OF WIRELESS FACILITIES

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Council Initiative: Preserve and enhance neighborhoods

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: REQUIRED

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

During their September 22 regular meeting, the City Council considered Planning Commission recommended amendments to the municipal code regarding wireless facilities. The Council decided to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for their review and approval.

The ordinance, if adopted, will repeal the existing Chapter 16.75 and replace it with a new Chapter 16.75 titled "Wireless Communication Facilities." This chapter will regulate the siting of new wireless communication facilities. In addition, a new chapter will be created; Chapter 16.80 titled "Eligible Wireless Facilities Modifications." This chapter will regulate modifications to existing facilities such as adding antennas to an existing cell phone tower. Also included in the ordinance are amendments to the zoning code that provide references to Chapter 16.75.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the code amendments on October 5. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the municipal code amendments.

The new wireless facilities chapters will be applicable citywide.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 3333

STAFF CONTACT:

Jim McNamara, City Attorney Steve Langdon, Planning Manager