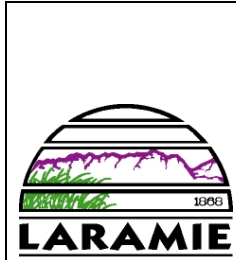


CITY OF LARAMIE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING June 2, 2020



Agenda Item: Orig. Ordinance - 1st Reading

Title: Original Ordinance No. 2014 amending Title 15 of the Laramie Municipal Code for the purposes of updating definitions, uses, dimensions and design standards in city code as a standard practice

Recommended Council MOTION:

Move to approve Original Ordinance No. 2014 as recommended by the Planning Commission, on first reading, in accordance with findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Under Section 15.04.050.A the City Manager's Office shall have the authority to review and make recommendations to the appropriate decision making authority for Text Amendments. Under Section 15.06.060.A states the purpose of a text amendment is for the purpose not to relieve particular hardships nor to confer special privileges or rights on any person, but rather to make adjustments to the text of this code that are necessary in light of changed conditions, changes in the comprehensive plan, public policy, or that are necessary to advance the general welfare of the city. As well, under Section 15.02.050 states that this code should be regularly reviewed, evaluated and amended, if necessary, based on private and city economic conditions, vision for the community, changing planning and zoning principles, frequent difficulty in implementing or enforcing any specific standard(s), or changes in the state, federal or case law.

Background:

The present amendment is initiated by the City of Laramie as part of the continual effort to keep the Unified Development Code (UDC) accurate, correct concerns, and remove potential avenues of confusion. All prior revisions to LMC Chapter 15 (Unified Development Code) can be found online at www.cityoflarmie.org/UDC.

The amendments and updates within this UDC Text Amendment have been gathered through efforts of City Staff throughout the year of 2019. These amendments and additions were prompted through project experience, new business models, enquiries from the public and staff's constant effort to improve Laramie's UDC as development continues to evolve.

These changes were brought before CDLC, which is a community partner that focuses on the improvement of our UDC and is made up of volunteers in the Laramie area that have had personal and professional experience with the UDC. Attached to the staff report is a letter of support from the CDLC for the Text Amendments.

Proposed Text Amendments:

- Update use table and definition for animal Slaughterhouses and Packinghouses (greater than 4,000 GFA and less than 4,000 GFA)

- Create use table and definition for Butcher
- Create use table and definition for Catering or Commissary Facility
- Create use table and definition for Community Services
- Create use table and definition for Conference Center
- Create use table and definition for High Tech Manufacturing
- Modify use table for Research Facility
- Modify definition for Kennel
- Create use table and definition for makerspace (or Hackerspace)
- Create use table and definition for Mobile Vending Court (Park)
- Update use table for Coffee Shops, Bakery – Retail and restaurant, without drive-in or drive-thru
- Amend use table for Government services, offices & facilities and jails and Prisons
- Create use table and definition for Truck wash
- Allow major temporary uses for 6 month periods rather than 3 month
- Include Dirt Storage as a Temporary Use
- Amend Laramie Municipal Code Sections 15.14.040.C.9.b and 15.14.060.E.4.c.(ii).(3)
- Amend Bike Rack code within the DC District
- Amend Façade Table for structures facing the Interstate or Highway
- Correct Clear Vision graphic mistake within Municode

Planning Commission:

Planning Commission recommended approval of TA-19-03 at the March 9, 2020 meeting with a vote of Aye: 5. Nay: 1. Absent: 1.

The Planning Commission Staff report is attached, however staff points out it has been modified from what was presented to Planning Commission. All changes to the staff report were done to reflect changes and recommendations by the Planning Commission and to help aid in City Council discussion.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

- Laramie Municipal Code: Title 15 (Unified Development Code)
- Wyoming State Statutes Title 15 Cities and Towns, Article 5 Planning
- Wyoming State Statutes Title 15 Cities and Towns, Article 6 Zoning
- Laramie Comprehensive Plan

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Future dates are subject to change

Advertised	
Public Hearing (PH) Held	June 16, 2020
PH Advertised	May 30, 2020
Introduction/1 st Reading	June 2, 2020
2 nd Reading	June 16, 2020
3 rd Reading	July 7, 2020

Attachments:

- Proposed Ordinance No. 2014
- Planning Commission Staff Report (March 9, 2020)