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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: July 2, 2024

Subject

Second reading of Municipal Code Amendments to Chapter 19.48 (Fences), Chapter 19.12 (Administration), and Chapter 19.08 (Definitions) and related CEQA exemption. (Application No.: MCA-2024-001; Applicant: City of Cupertino; Location: Citywide)

Recommended Action

Conduct the second reading and enact Ordinance No. 24-2260: An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino amending Chapter 19.48 (Fences), Chapter 19.12 (Administration), and Chapter 19.08 (Definitions), which includes a finding to find the actions exempt from CEQA.

Discussion

During a regular meeting held on June 18, 2024, City Council conducted the first reading for Ordinance No. 24-2260. Staff presented details about the proposal to modify standards for fences outlined in Cupertino Municipal Code Chapter 19.48 to streamline reviews, bring standards up to date with State laws and internal practices, and clarify standards for consistency in application. At the meeting, staff clarified revisions to the standards for hedges, the requirements for measuring fence height, and the basis for the reduced size of hillside lots where solid board fencing is allowed.

If Council approves these changes today, the proposed ordinance will take effect after thirty (30) days on August 1, 2024.

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Approved for Submission by: Pamela Wu, City Manager

Attachments:

A – Draft Ordinance No. 24-2260