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Staff Report

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To: City Commission

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From: Community Development Director Laura Terway

File Type: Planning

SUBJECT:

History of Regulating Membrane (Fabric and Metal) Residential Accessory Structures

RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):

No action is required from the City Commission.

BACKGROUND:

Since January 1, 2011, the Oregon City Municipal Code has prohibited most fabric and metal structures, known as membrane structures, if they are visible from the abutting right-of-way. The prohibition specified that existing structures were required to be removed and did not allow grandfathering of older structures. The regulation ensures that accessory structures, will be compatible with residential structures and helps reduce the accumulation of outdoor junk, inappropriate storage, and solid waste in residential areas, a common nuisance. The City Commission requested a Work Session to discuss the history and retroactive nature of the regulation.