

# **City of Oregon City**

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## **Staff Report**

File Number: PC 18-056

Agenda Date: 4/18/2018 Status: Public Hearing

To: City Commission Agenda #: 6a.

From: Community Development Director Laura Terway

File Type: Planning Item

#### SUBJECT:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 18-1005, Amending the Development Sections of the Oregon City Municipal Code (Including Lot Averaging), Planning file L 17-04

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):**

Approval of the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 18-1005 and Planning file L 17-04.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Staff has proposed a variety of minor amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code. Although a majority of the amendments provide clarity, improve processes, or remove code conflicts, the more substantial changes include:

- 1. Amending language for lot averaging
- 2. Removing the ability to reconsider a final decision
- 3. Clarify how dates are calculated
- 4. Remove light bulb requirements
- 5. Allow 10% parking reduction adjacent to transit routes

Notice of all code amendments was mailed to every property owner in the City limits and within the Urban Growth Boundary in late December. The Development Stakeholders Group reviewed the amendments on January 4, 2018 and the City Commission heard the amendments for the first time at their work session on January 9, 2018. The Planning Commission held their first work session on the amendments on January 22, 2018 and second work session on February 12, 2018. The Planning Commission recommended approval to the City Commission on March 12, 2018.

Two versions of the code amendments are attached for the consideration of the City Commission. One version includes a proposed amendment that would allow chain link fencing in the General Industrial District in locations visible from the right-of-way or a public access easement while the second version retains the existing standards which prohibit chain link fencing the aforementioned locations.