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Heritage Commission

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

- TO: Mayor and City Council
- **FROM:** Richard Jaques, Chair of Heritage Commission and Demolition Review Committee AnneMarie Skinner, City Planner
- **DATE:** June 16, 2025

RE: Ordinance amendment – demolition review

Recommendation

Accept this report and set the public hearing date for the amendment of Article 26-9 Demolition Review for August 11, 2025.

Discussion

On May 12, 2025, the City Council held a public hearing for an ordinance amending Article 26-9 Demolition Review. The City Council moved to table the ordinance and return it back to the Heritage Commission for further review.

The Heritage Commission again reviewed the proposed amendment at the meeting on June 12, 2026. Discussion centered exclusively around the proposed section 26-9-3(c) and appropriate verbiage for sign posting. The proposed section previously read as follows:

(c) The Planning Division shall post a public hearing notice in two separate and distinct public places not less than ten (10) calendar days in advance of the hearing. With the permission of the property owner, the Planning Division shall also post the public hearing notice at the site.

Upon a unanimous vote, the Heritage Commission voted to recommend that the City Council change the proposed amendent to the following:

(c) The Planning Division shall post a public hearing notice in two separate and distinct public places not less than ten (10) calendar days in advance of the hearing.

(d) The Planning Division shall also prepare a notice for posting at the site that identifies the building proposed for demolition and the date, time, and place of the public hearing. The notice shall be posted on the site by the Planning Division in a location that is visible from the street, at least five calendar days prior to the public hearing. The sign shall be posted continuously as required.