

WELCOME

Text Amendment Cycles

City Council September 23, 2021 Workshop Session

Agenda Item # - ; File No. – E2021-8 CH 27



Motions

January 28, 2021

Motion: (Dingfelder-Citro) That the Legal Department be requested to appear and present a draft ordinance on April 1, 2021 under Staff Reports and Unfinished Business that modifies the Chapter 27 ordinance language pertaining to limits placed on Council regarding amendments. Motion carried by unanimous consent with Miranda being absent.

April 1, 2021

Motion: (Gudes-Citro) That said agenda item be continued to May 27, 2021 workshop session. Motion carried unanimously.

May 27, 2021

Motion: (Dingfelder-Maniscalco) That Council be requested to defer the recommendations presented by Abbye Feeley, Development & Growth Management Director and LaChone Dock, Planning & Development Coordinator regarding the Privately Initiated Text Amendments of Chapter 27 of the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, and the recommendations of the presentation provided by Martin Shelby, City Council Attorney on June 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. under the Workshop session. Motion carried unanimously with Citro being absent at vote.

Motions

June 24, 2021

Motion: (Maniscalco-Miranda) That said agenda item be continued to August 26, 2021 under Staff Reports and Unfinished Business. Motion carried unanimously with Dingfelder being absent.

August 26, 2021

Motion: (Dingfelder-Maniscalco) That Council directs Staff to move forward with staff recommendations and timeline, as presented by LaChone Dock, Senior Planning Coordinator; further, that it be brought back for discussion on September 23, 2021 Workshop Session. Motion carried unanimously with Viera being absent at vote.

Agenda

- Background
- Existing code requirements and challenges
- Goals to achieve with the proposal
- Review proposal
- Summary of outreach and public information meeting
- Review proposed logistics
- Next steps

Background

- January 2021 – City Council discussion regarding adding additional amendment cycles.
- May 2021 Council Workshop - Staff response/proposal to modify the code amendment cycles.
- June 2021 Public Information Meeting - Staff presented initial proposal to the public.
- June 2021 City Council Workshop – Staff presented Council with feedback received from the public information meeting. Directed to meet with Councilman Dingfelder and come back with refined recommendations.
- August 2021 City Council Regular Meeting - Staff presented updated proposal to a) maintain the two existing text amendment cycles, b) allow for mid-cycle amendments for narrowly-tailored, time-sensitive edits, and c) process only publicly-initiated text amendments. Council directed staff to begin processing as proposed.

Current Process and Challenges

- Current private amendment applications and associated modifications largely depend on staff to “write” the code.
- Many of the applications are too conceptual and do not demonstrate specific code modifications.
- Applications often lack justification or substantial basis for modification.
- Applications often fail to account for unintended impacts across other parts of the code; staff has to conduct comprehensive evaluation to identify and mitigate impacts
- Because privately-initiated applications follow a process similar to publicly initiated amendments, there is confusion amongst the public and other stakeholders about the origin, objective, and City position on the private applications.

Goals of the Proposed Changes

- Simplify issues concerning origin/source and resources required for 'privately-initiated' vs 'publicly-initiated' amendments
- Maintain a maximum of two bi-annual publicly-initiated text amendments
- Provide opportunity for mid-cycle amendments for time-sensitive and narrowly-tailored needs

Proposed Text Amendment

1. Eliminate the provision enabling privately-initiated text amendments
 - Effective with the July 15, 2022 cycle
 - Final cycle for privately initiated text amendments would be January 2022
 - Allows adequate time for public notification of the change in process
 - Limits negative impact on investments made toward applying in the January cycle.
2. Process only publicly initiated amendments
 - 'Public-initiated' could be through staff and/or City Council
 - Retain the current January and July cycle schedule for processing all publicly initiated amendments.
3. Add language enabling the code administrator to process out-of-cycle text amendments for narrowly tailored, strategically aligned edits that cannot/should not wait until one of the prescribed cycles.

Public Outreach

- During the August 26, 2021 City Council Regular Session, Council directed staff to begin processing the language proposed
- Staff held a public information meeting on September 13, 2021
- Staff presented proposal and received positive feedback from those in attendance

Public Outreach for Public Information Meeting Held on September 13, 2021

City of Tampa Calendar of Events

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Photo 101 Express In Pers	30 CANCELLATION NOTICE T +2 more	31 PUBLIC NUISANCE ABATE +4 more	1	2 NOTICE OF NEGOTIATION +4 more	3 3rd Annual Keeping Our V Hispanic Heritage Poster Contest	4
5 Hyde Park Fresh Market	6 City of Tampa Human Rig +5 more	7 Channel District CRA Com	8 COMMUNITY REDEVELOP +5 more	9	10	11 Click-fill-A Fall Stampede +4 more
12	13 VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORM Northeast Seminole Heig +5 more	14 Emergency Rental Assista	15 Emergency Rental Assista +6 more	16 Emergency Rental Assista +3 more	17 Emergency Rental Assista	18 Paint Your Heart Out +5 more

Mayor Jane Castor
TAMPA WEEKLY

Virtual Public Information Meeting

Join the City Planning Division in this [virtual public information meeting](#) to discuss the proposed amendment to code sections 27-147, 27-148 & 27-151 that work to provide increased efficiency & protection of our community's health, safety and welfare. Email LaChone.Dock@tampagov.net to register for this virtual event. See proposed language at tampa.gov/CodeChanges.



July 2021 Amendment Cycle

Applicant: City of Tampa Code Administrator, Publicly-initiated

Request: Amend 27-147, 27-148, 27-151; Maintain bi-annual publicly initiated text amendments and provide opportunity for mid-cycle amendments to achieve critical strategic objectives.

Tentative Processing Schedule

Public Information Meeting: September 13, 2021 at 6 pm

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Hosted by the City Planning Division

September 13, 2021

6:00pm

To register for this public meeting,
email LaChone.Dock@tampagov.net

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

City of Tampa code sections
27-147, 27-148, and 27-151

GOALS:

- Create a consistent and efficient process by allowing code amendments when initiated by City Council and/or Code Administrator
- Provide equal access to text amendments
- Simplify issues concerning origin for 'privately' vs 'publicly' initiated text amendments
- Maintain bi-annual publicly-initiated text amendment cycles
- Provide opportunity for mid-cycle amendments for time-sensitive and critical strategic objectives

Effective Date

- Text amendment would become effective with the July 15, 2022 cycle.
- The final cycle for privately initiated text amendments would be January 2022.
- This allows adequate time for public notification of the change in process and to limit negative impact on any investments made toward applying in the January cycle.

Next Steps

Meeting Type	Date
Public Information Meeting	September 13 ✓
City Council Workshop	September 23 ✓
Planning Commission Briefing	October 4
Planning Commission Public Hearing	November 8
City Council 1 st Reading	December 16
Adoption Hearing	January 13

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