



KEY POINTS

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On August 1, the City Clerk received a petition with a proposed ordinance related to the **City's existing zoning processes, including changing the definition of rezoning, with the goal of limiting the City's ability to add allowable housing types to existing residential zones.**

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The proposed ordinance outlines the **steps required in a potential rezoning process.** Many of the steps - **including notice of all adjacent property holders, public hearing and public protest period** - are already required by state law and are the **current procedures followed by the City.**

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The ordinance specifies instances in which the **City would be initiating rezoning.** While technically allowable, it would be **highly unusual for the City to pursue rezoning.** Generally, it's the property owner that initiates the rezoning process. The city is considering **updating the zoning code, not initiating rezoning of any land.**

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Because the proposed ordinance seeks to **change the way existing City laws are implemented,** it is considered an administrative ordinance by state statute. In contrast, if the proposed ordinance wanted to **create a new policy or law,** it would be considered a legislative ordinance by state statute.



REZONING VS. UPDATING THE ZONING CODE

Rezoning is the process of changing the land use designation from one zone to another; for example, changing the use of a residential zone to a commercial zone.

Updating the zoning code is the process of updating language and requirements to adapt to the needs and desires of the community.



WHAT'S NEXT?

The City is **working with its legal counsel, as well as the legal and election professionals** at the County, **to determine the next steps**. The City will continue to update the public on the results of the petition review. Make sure to **sign up for e-news alerts** on the City website - more information below.

The City will **continue to work with all stakeholders - the public, community partners, Planning Commission, City staff and City Council** - to discuss whether any zoning code updates are needed to help the City achieve the goals developed in Village Vision.

ADMINISTRATIVE VS. LEGAL ORDINANCE

An **ordinance** is a law that outlines how processes work in a City.

An **administrative ordinance** is a law that concerns existing policy.

A **legislative ordinance** is a law that proposes new policy.

Example: For example, if the City Council were to pass an ordinance changing the allowable hours of operation of a park, this would be considered an administrative ordinance since it is adjusting a policy that already exists.



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