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Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Harry Klinkhamer, Historical Resources Manager

FROM: Edward F. Lavallee, City Manager

RE: Proposed Comprehensive Historic Preservation Ordinance

DATE: December 17, 2019

Today, I had a meeting with Barry Snyder, Planning Commission Chair, and Jeff Shrum, Director of Development Services, regarding the proposed Comprehensive Historic Preservation Ordinance. Based on our discussion, it was clear that Barry and Jeff have reviewed the draft ordinance you provided to them. If you have updated this draft proposal since providing copies to either Barry or Jeff, please forward your latest proposal to them for review.

From our discussion today, the following determination was made:

The most efficient way of incorporating elements of the Comprehensive Historic Preservation Ordinance into the emerging LDRs is for them to be reviewed by the Planning Commission in concert with other similar elements of the City's code. That doesn't mean that the elements of the Comprehensive Historic Preservation Ordinance draft will not retain its identify and relevance, including potentially a sub-chapter title, in the LDRs. As part of the review process, the Planning Commission will engage the Historic Preservation Board, Architectural Review Board, and Code Enforcement Board to provide their valued input into the proposed draft. The most effective and efficient method of completing the work and incorporating elements of the proposed ordinance into the updated LDRs is to follow the process as outlined after allowing for a full review of the document, incorporating input from all relevant parties, and providing inclusion of any adopted functions that operate within existing structure of Chapter 86. Eventually, the new ordinance language components will be incorporated into the updated LDRs to accompany the retained existing text.

I would appreciate your sharing this correspondence with the Historic Preservation Board and others who participated in the development of the ordinance proposal for preservation of historic properties. Also, please extend my appreciation for their efforts and the draft ordinance that clearly reflects many hours of research and composition.

If you have any questions please call me.

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cc Barry Snyder, Planning Commission Chair Jeff Shrum, Development Services Director James Clinch, Public Works Director