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ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31 – FENCING MATERIALS

PH-24-020

June 4, 2024

Background

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- If approved, the proposed ordinance will amend the following sections of Chapter 31:
 - ▣ Sec. 31-855. - Security or barbed-wire fences
 - ▣ Sec. 31-858. - Fencing materials.

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- The proposed ordinance makes the following amendments:
 - ▣ Removes conflicting provisions regarding barbed wire fencing by removing Sec. 31-855 completely;
 - ▣ Allows uncoated chain link fencing in the “M-1” and “M-2” zoning districts, and for agricultural uses in any district;
 - ▣ Allows the hardware and fence posts associated with chain-link fences to be painted to match, instead of vinyl coated;

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- Prohibits barbed wire and electric fencing in all districts, except “A”, “A-R1”, and for existing agricultural uses;
- Allows security fencing topped with barbed/razor wire in “M-1”, “M-2”, and for utility substations, only. This change will effectively prohibit barbed wire fencing in commercial zoning districts;
- Allows, and provides standards for, temporary construction fencing associated with a building permit.

Staff Recommendation

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- Staff recommends that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommend approval of the ordinance as presented.

Commission Recommendation

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- At their regular meeting on May 6, 2024, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the ordinance as presented by a vote of 8 to 0.