Washoe County Board of County Commissioners



2nd Reading of WDCA25-0002 (Article 904)

July 8, 2025

Request



Second reading and possible adoption of an ordinance to amend the Development Code Article 904, Nonconformance.

- To revise and clarify language in 4 sections
- This amendment was heard by the Planning Commission on 5/6/25 and recommended for approval.

Proposed Amendments



- The proposal includes:
 - Change the allow time limit to obtain a building permit from 6 months to 24 months for a nonconforming structure/use that has been partially or totally destroyed; and
 - Minor language clean-ups.
- This code amendment will help property owners in the future where fires or other disasters might occur (i.e. Davis Fire).
- The extension of time provides more time to rebuild and reestablish nonconforming structures/uses.

Community Meeting



- A community meeting was held in-person and by Zoom on February 26th
- The meeting had 7 in-person attendees and 6-8 attendees by Zoom.
- Staff presented the proposed changes, and the attendees had a few questions, including:
 - What are the main changes;
 - When would the changes be finalized and approved; and
 - Would the changes be for parcels in the City of Reno or Sparks.
- One email was received, in support and included in the staff report.

Findings & Motion



- Staff is able to make all 4 required findings, as shown in the staff report and recommends approval.
 - 1. Consistency with Master Plan.
 - 2. Promotes the Purpose of the Development Code.
 - 3. Response to Changed Conditions.
 - 4. No Adverse Affects.

A possible motion can be found in the staff report.

Thank you

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