

City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

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City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT:

An Ordinance Reenacting Section 2.02.1000 from Tacoma Municipal Code Title 2.02

Building – January 7, 2014

DATE:

December 3, 2013

SUMMARY:

In June 2013 section 2.02.1000 of the Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) was inadvertently rescinded. This section deals with the Strong Motion Instrumentation Fund (SMIF) and the allowed related use of those permit funds. The intent was to not remove this section from Title 2.02. The solution is to reenact section 2.02.1000 of the Tacoma Municipal Code Title 2.02 Buildings.

BACKGROUND:

TMC Title 2.02 was completely repealed and reenacted on June 11, 2013, when adopting the City amendments to the Washington State 2012 Building Codes. Section 2.02.1000 was inadvertently rescinded as part of this action. Section 2.02.1000 pertains to the SMIF and the allowed related use of those permit funds, i.e., for earthquake preparedness activities and supporting the seismic instrumentation program. Without this section of the code in place, the funds cannot be used for the intended purpose.

ISSUE:

Section 2.02.1000 of the TMC was inadvertently rescinded. The solution is to reenact the section inadvertently repealed so that the permit fees related to the SMIF can be used as intended for earthquake preparedness activities and support of the seismic instrumentation program.

ALTERNATIVES:

No alternatives are identified. If the section of the code is not reenacted, the funds cannot be used for the intended purpose.

RECOMMENDATION:

The recommendation is to reenact TMC 2.02.1000 to allow use of these funds for earthquake preparedness activities and for supporting the seismic instrumentation program.