MOTION FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ORDINANCE NO. 29042

June 24, 2025

I move to amend Ordinance No. 29042 by adding revisions to TMC 13.06.090.K.6.b.5.v. to establish landscape buffer width and perimeter fence setback requirements for properties zoned C-2 on Pedestrian Streets different than those of other Commercial, Mixed-Use Center, and Downtown zoning districts which reduces the landscape buffer width and setback between the public right-of-way and a perimeter fence from 5 feet to 3 feet. This amendment would maintain the 5-foot landscape buffer width and setback for non-C-2 properties adjacent to Core Pedestrian Streets or Pedestrian Streets. The amendment is written to allow flexibility on how that can be achieved to allow for cost effective options that still enhance the pedestrian experience as follows:

(v) Electric fences adjacent to designated Core Pedestrian Streets or designated Pedestrian Streets shall be required to have a planting strip landscape buffer at least 5 feet wide between the public right-of-way and the perimeter fence, with landscaping pursuant to the requirements of TMC 13.06.090.B.3, in order to soften the view of the fence and contribute to the pedestrian environment. The landscape buffer must meet the following standards:

• All districts, except C-2: A landscape buffer at least 5 feet wide shall be provided consisting of a mix of trees, shrubs, and groundcover pursuant to site perimeter landscaping requirements of TMC 13.06.090.B.4.e(4). • <u>C-2 districts: A landscape buffer at least 3 feet wide shall</u> <u>be provided consisting of a mix of shrubs and</u> <u>groundcover. There must be at least one shrub for every</u> <u>three linear feet of buffer area. Groundcover plants must</u> <u>fully cover the remainder of the landscaped area. Some</u> <u>or all of the landscape buffer may be contained in planters</u> <u>as long as other requirements are met</u>.

Exhibit to Motion

CHAPTER 13.06 ZONING

13.06.090 Site Development Standards.

K. Fences and Retaining Walls.

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6. Commercial, MUCs, and Downtown Districts.

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b. Electrified Fence Standards.

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(5) Perimeter Fence.

(i) An electric fence shall be surrounded by a non-electric, perimeter fence, with a smaller aperture designed to limit the passthrough of hands. This perimeter fence shall be a minimum of 6 feet in height and a maximum of 7 feet in height. This fence may be located on the property line.

(ii) The required perimeter fence shall be setback a minimum of 1 foot from the electric fence.

(iii) When the perimeter fence is between the building and the front property line, or otherwise along a public street, sidewalk or trail, the perimeter fence shall be decorative and not be chain link or similar wire fencing.

(iv) When the perimeter fence is between a public street or sidewalk and the property, the fence must be designed to allow pedestrians and drivers to see onto the property.
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