

Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: IX.1.
Meeting Date: 3/07/2022

TO: Mayor Angelo and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Philip Strom, Director of Community Development

ITEM: 2nd READING – ORDINANCE 1112 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LYONS, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE 6 OF THE LYONS MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING COMMERCIAL DESIGN GUIDELINES

ORDINANCE
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 INFORMATION

I. REQUEST OR ISSUE:

This Ordinance amends Chapter 16, Article 6 of the LMC concerning the Commercial Design Guidelines.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEP:

Approval of Ordinance 1112 with or without amendments.

III. FISCAL IMPACTS:

There is no direct fiscal impact to the town if this Ordinance is adopted.

IV. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In early 2021 the Board of Trustees (BOT) instructed the PCDC to study and propose recommended changes to the Town's Commercial and Mixed-use Design Standards and Guidelines (DDSG). Currently the DDSG only applies to new development within the following zoning districts:

- CEC-Commercial East Corridor
- B-Business
- CE-Commercial Entertainment
- LI-Light Industrial
- Portions of C-Commercial/M-Municipal

It should be noted that no design guidelines are currently in place for the entire Commercial Downtown and some Commercial zoned properties in Town.

After forming a PCDC Subcommittee, and through multiple workshops, research, and feedback from the community, the PCDC has determined it is necessary to update the LMC to create more efficient, effective design guidelines and implement Design Guidelines for all new developments or redevelopments, except for in residential zoned properties.

In December 2021 the 1st Reading of the proposed Ordinance was approved by the BOT for Second Reading and a Public Hearing. However, prior to 2nd Reading the BOT directed staff to complete outreach to property owners, businesses, and developers to ensure any potential impacts to those stakeholders was considered. In the past three months, staff along with a subcommittee from the PCDC has completed the following outreach:

- Email outreach to 260 business owners, property owners, and developers requesting feedback or to meet
- Office hours were held in Town Hall for in person meetings:
 - 12/22/21 from 9:00-11:00am
 - 1/4/22 from 11:00-1:00pm
 - 1/6/22 from 2:00-4:00pm
- 8 virtual meetings one-on-one meetings with targeted stakeholders were completed
- Review by the Economic Vitality Commission

While feedback from the community was minimal, staff and the PCDC subcommittee believe the one-on-one meetings were effective in understanding the concerns of stakeholders as well as allowing for the Town to better explain the intent of the revised code. All feedback received was incorporated into the proposed Commercial Design Guidelines. Staff believes the revisions did not justify re-starting the Ordinance process. A redline version has been attached to show the changes made since the 1st Reading. Additionally, an Amended Ordinance 1112 is also included with a clean updated version of the Commercial Design Guidelines. Last, Resolution 2021-04-PCDC is attached for your consideration.

V. LEGAL ISSUES:

None known. The town attorney has reviewed and approved.

VI. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

None known.

VII. SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve Ordinance 1112.
2. Approve Ordinance 1112 with amendments.
3. Approve Amended Ordinance 1112.
4. Approve Amended Ordinance 1112 with amendments.
5. Deny Ordinance 1112.

VIII. PROPOSED MOTION:

"I move to approve, Amended Ordinance 1112 an Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado amending Chapter 16, Article 6 of the LMC concerning the Commercial Design Guidelines."

IX. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance 1112
2. Amended Ordinance 1112
3. Commercial Design Guidelines Redlined
4. Resolution 2021-04-PCDC