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Legislative Affairs & Election Committee
November 13, 2023

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors John Hanlon, Stephanie Smith and Darren Costa.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Michael Marchese, as President: An Ordinance correcting the usage of the Loud and Unnecessary Noise ordinance in the Driveway Construction Ordinance.

David Flood, City Council Legislative Research Specialist; was also present.

Mr. Flood explained that the company working on the codification of the Ordinances noticed a discrepancy and recommended that it be amended to take out any incorrect information. He noted that the intent was so that the Driveway Construction Ordinance can still reference such Noise Ordinance but should not repeat any information contained in it. Mr. Flood also explained that all references of 9pm to 7am would be amended to 7pm to 7am.

The Committee voted: To report back to the City Council with a recommendation of Favorable action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Michael Marchese, as President: An Ordinance amending C0365-19 – REGULATION SHORT-TERM RENTAL LICENSES.

David Flood, City Council Legislative Research Specialist; was also present. Communication received from City Attorney Keith Slattery, that he would be unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

Mr. Flood explained that the current short-term rental ordinance cannot be applied in its original adoption since it is somewhat confusing regarding qualifications of a property for intended for short-term rental. He informed the Committee that the existing Zoning Ordinance creating requirements for short-term rentals would appear on the City Council agenda with the recommendation from the Planning Board to delete in its entirety. He explained further that the Inspectional Services Division would now oversee all Short-term rentals through licensing and would oversee the collection of fees and inspections as required annually. Councilor Costa inquired how many short-term licenses were issued by the City and Mr. Flood responded that none were issued. Councilor Smith recommended that the matter be granted further time and that Attorney Slattery, Attorney Lattanzi and the Building Inspector appear at the next meeting so that she could discuss the questions she sent to them on the subject matter.

The Committee voted: To grant further time.

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