



March 01, 2024

City of Bloomington  
1800 West Old Shakopee Road  
Bloomington, MN 55431

RE: Case # PL202300155 – 2023 Annual Miscellaneous Issues Ordinance

To File:

At its regular meeting of December 18, 2023, the Council approved multiple City Code amendments as part of the 2023 Annual Miscellaneous Issued Ordinance, thereby amending Chapters 15, 19, 21, 22 and Appendix A of the City Code. Adopted revisions include: revise the R-3 standards to allow a 10 foot setback to the rear property line [§ 21.301.02(d)(1)], add the definition of "Farmers Market" [§ 19.03 Definitions], add the words "Reserved" in what is currently a blank section of code [§ 21.301.06 (l)(1)], update a reference to the process to reclassify a Type I home business to a Type II home business to reflect Planning Commission as the decision maker [§ 21.302.13(c)(2)(E)], revise the content sections to allow for an application form OR other form of owner- written approval for the purposes of administering Final Site and Building Plans, Preliminary Development Plans, Final Development Plans, Conditional Use Permits, Interim Use Permits, and Master Sign Plans [§21.501.01, §21.501.02, §21.501.03, §21.501.04, and §21.501.06], Revise the Site Width Diagram to reflect corrected measurement lines [§ 21.301.01(c)(1)(A)], Update Accessory Dwelling Unit location standards to indicate that such buildings may not be placed between the principal structure and the street [§21.302.03(b)(4)], Update incorrect Code references in RS-1 and R1-A to reflect single-family dwelling standards [§21.203.02, §21.203.03], Amend the Two-Family Dwelling Side Setback table to mention height limit standards [§21.302.04(c)4, §21.302.04(c)8], Update Manufactured Home Park Standards to indicate the correct referenced Code section [§21.302.10(c)(8)(A)(i)], Update the Displays of Merchandise definition to include installations which offer a personal convenience and update Exterior Storage standards [§19.03, §21.301.16] Remove outdated RV Permit Application type [§21.502.01(c), Appendix A], Update a table to direct to Appendix A for information on applicable application processes and fees [§22.08(c)], Update Code to reflect that residential fences may rise to a height of eight feet if meeting the requirements that 1) such fences are not located between the street and the exterior face of the dwelling or otherwise meet a 65-foot front setback (the maximum setback required under prevailing setback rules), and 2) that fences located within side or rear yards which are not abutting a street must meet setbacks from those property lines for a principal structure [§21.301.08], Add the words "inside a building" to the definition of Vehicle Repair, Major and Vehicle Repair, Minor [§19.03], Amend the window covering requirements in the HX-R District to match comparable zoning districts [19.29], Remove 'temporary borings' from Code to align with new State Statute [§15.159(c), §15.160(a), §15.161, Appendix A] (Case #PL202300155).

At its regular meeting of February 12, 2024, the Council approved Ordinance M, which was continued from the December 18, 2023 meeting, specifying within Code that a 25% cumulative increase of the total floor area requires conformance with site characteristic current standards [§21.504(c)(4)(D)] (Case #PL2023-155).

Should you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Nick Johnson, Senior Planner, at (952) 563-8925 or nmjohnson@bloomingtonmn.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glen Markegard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Glen Markegard, AICP  
Planning Manager