


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	25-199	Meeting:	May 19, 2025
	Agenda Item:	56	Roll Call:	25-0793
	Submitted by:	John F. TeKippe, Fire Chief		

AGENDA HEADING:

First consideration to amend Chapter 46 of the Municipal Code to allow private streets to serve as compliant fire access roads.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of this action amends Chapter 46 of the Municipal Code by allowing for private streets to serve as fire access roads. Previously when two (2) or more fire access roads were required for single or multi-family developments, those streets were required to be public streets. This amendment allows for private streets (designed appropriately and meeting fire code requirements) to meet this requirement. This will provide developers with greater flexibility when designing new developments.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The second and third reading is requested to be waived to expedite availability of these code provisions.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 19, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0293](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 46 of the Municipal Code relating to amendments and additions to the requirements contained in the 2021 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC). ([Council Communication No. 24-058](#)) Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 6-0.

- (A) [Final](#) consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by John TeKippe, Fire Chief), requires six (6) votes. Moved by Mandelbaum that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two (2) Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, [#16,333](#). Second by Voss. Motion Carried 6-0.

Date: January 8, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0077](#) and [24-0078](#)

Action: Amending Chapters 26 and 46 of the Municipal Code to adopt the 2021 editions of the International Building Code (IBC), International Residential Code (IRC), International Existing Building Code (IEBC) and IFC: ([Council Communication No. 24-014](#))

- (B) [Amending](#) Chapter 46 of the Municipal Code relating to fire prevention and protection. Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Refer to staff to evaluate the use of point access blocks in the future. Second by Coleman. Motion Carried 6-0.
- (B-1) Final consideration of ordinance above, requires six (6) votes. Moved by Mandelbaum that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two (2) Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, #[16,318](#). Second by Coleman. Motion Carried 6-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Building & Fire Code Board of Appeals

Date: April 10, 2025

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Recommends Adoption

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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