AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting December 7, 2021 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of December 14, 2021

DATE: December 7, 2021

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Amendment to Code of Ordinances Chapter 3 and Chapter 49 (Related to Installations in City ROW and Petitions for Street Closures)

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending the Corpus Christi Code to remove Chapter 3, Article I and amend Chapter 49, Article I to consolidate the City's requirements for installations on, across and over public right of way and to amend petitions to close streets; establishing a penalty.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance proposes to remove Chapter 3, Article I and amend Chapter 49, Article I to update City requirements for requests associated with the permanent closure of public right-of-way and the installation of objects and artwork in public right-of-way.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

This proposed ordinance amendment provides for changes and consolidation of existing sections of Chapter 49, Article I and Chapter 3, Article I of the Code of Ordinances for the management of installations of artwork in public right-of-way address and updates to the existing process, requirements, and fees for petitions to City Council to permanently close street, alleys or other public right-of-way.

The City's Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) reviewed and recommended the ordinance amendments during their monthly meeting held on November 22, 2021. Notable changes discussed and recommended amendments to ordinances in Chapter 49, Article I impacting requests associated with overhead banners, street closures, and artwork installations are summarized below:

Sec. 49.9: Banners Across Streets

- Increased permit duration, revised fee schedule, added penalties and ability to include corporate/business logos on banner.
- Sec. 49.12: Street Closure (Permanent)

Updated management and process for street closures.

• Sec. 49.17: Art in Public ROW (NEW)

- Allows the Department of Public Works to permit the installation of artwork upon City streets, crosswalks, traffic signal cabinets and other infrastructure via a permit, license or agreement.
- Allows for the creation of a "Community Art" Program to establish requirements for Installations

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

None.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is to deny or amend the ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: N/A

Organization/Activity: N/A Mission Element: N/A Project # (CIP Only):N/A

Account: N/A Amount: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance amendment to remove 3 Article I and amend Chapter 49 Article I to consolidate the City's requirements for installations on, across and over public right of way and to amend petitions to close streets; establishing a penalty.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Presentation
Draft Program Requirements