

Legislation Text

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## TITLE:

Public Hearing on a Land Use Ordinance Amendment to Establish Temporary Construction Parking

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider a text amendment to the Land Use Ordinance establishing a new use classification and associated standards for temporary construction parking. A draft ordinance has been prepared. The Board must receive public input before reaching a decision on the draft ordinance.

## **DEPARTMENT:** Planning

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**INFORMATION:** The Land Use Ordinance provides for opportunities for staff to bring forward proposed amendments to the text of the ordinance for the benefit of the greater community. As development and redevelopment occurs in the downtown commercial districts, sufficient space for on-site parking for all workers associated with a construction project can be challenging. Providing sufficient parking in a way that does not impede the many other daily activities in the downtown is important to the support of a vibrant community. The Town's Community and Economic Development Director has identified a need for parking areas for construction workers employed at projects in the downtown area such that the limited supply of public parking is not affected.

A draft ordinance has been prepared for the Board's consideration. If adopted, existing lots with parking spaces not already committed to the requirements of another permit may be used as temporary construction parking subject to a zoning permit. Parking would only be allowed during the duration of the construction project.

The draft ordinance was presented to the Planning Board, Transportation Advisory Board and Economic Sustainability Commission at their regular meetings in October, and was referred to Orange County. Comments are provided (*Attachment C*).

**FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT:** Public hearings involve staff and public notice costs associated with advisory board and Board of Aldermen review.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider the attached resolution for consistency (*Attachment A*) and the draft ordinance (*Attachment B*).