City Council,

The proposed ordinance uses the term "Planning Department" rather than "Community Development Department" and that should probably be changed to reflect the actual name of the responsible City department. It is also referred to as the "planning division" in another location and it is usually a good practice to use consistent terminology throughout the City's code. The ordinance does correctly identify the staff-level review authority as the Community Development Director.

You also might want to exclude personal-use EV chargers installed in private single-family residences and treat them like any basic building permit (e.g., just like replacing a hot water heater). We put one in the garage of the new ADU behind my house as part of the construction of the unit--wiring for an EV charger is required for newly-constructed garages--and I am not sure the City needs a separate process for simple home-based installations like that, although in our case it was part of the overall building permits for the ADU rather than a post-construction addition to a garage. The definition in the draft ordinance appears to cover those types of EV charging stations but I believe the likely intent is for this streamlined permitting process to apply to EV charging stations that could be used by the public or residents in a multi-unit residential complex and not something inside a private garage (e.g., what the City installed by City Hall or the new stations at the Boatyard Center).

Regards,

--Jacob

Public comment for City Council.

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Some comments on this ordinance. Electric Vehicle charging stations.

Second Whereas. This is another example of segregating our society. Some have more rights than others. Obviously Tesla must contribute a lot of money to elections. I love the "unreasonable barriers" think another word for that is planning, or zoning, or regulations.

Section 1 item 2. Pretty bold statement. Significant to me is different than significant to you. Take one look at the Tesla charging station ugly ugly white boxes blocking the views.

15.38.010 since when are costs considered? Never to any other applicants. Removing unreasonable barriers, this is a laugh. The code is

the code period.

F. This should be number one ANY charging station must be universal for all EV. Unlike the Tesla installation In the Boatyard center. Totally a poor way to run a business. I will never own a Tesla due to the discriminatory business practices they employ. Same for Amazon but that is another story money and power in action.

I will leave it at that. The rules should apply to all, not just a chosen few. No wonder our population is leaving in droves. I never in my imagination our political world would be so polarizing, this is just one more example of why.

Also did this go through the public works committee. It would be nice to comment before the resolution is about to be signed.

Thank you

Paul Clark