

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CITY CODE TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND PLANNING TO NOTIFY CITY COUNCIL OF BUILDING AND DEMOLITION PERMITS AND WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

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Sponsor:

**Council
Member
Darby**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Wilmington has enacted Chapter 48 of the Wilmington City Code, also known as the “Zoning Code”; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Code sets forth the procedures for obtaining permits and approvals needed to construct, improve, and/or demolish a building in conformance with local, state, and federal policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, applications for building permits, demolitions, minor waterfront developments, and major waterfront developments must be submitted to the Department of Land Use and Planning; and

WHEREAS, currently the Zoning Code does not provide for any procedures to notify City Council of any new development and/or demolition in the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council has a compelling interest in being informed of any development within the City’s boundaries so City Council may present information of importance to their constituents, who may be affected by development and demolition..

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Section 48-36 of the City Code is hereby amended with the addition of the underlined language to read as follows:

Sec. 48-36. – Building Permits.

(e) Notification to City Council. The department of land use and planning shall provide to City Council copies of applications for building permits and applications for demolition

permits within ten (10) business days of receipt of any such application.

SECTION 2. Chapter 48 of the City Code is hereby amended by creating a new Section 48-374 to read as follows:

Sec. 48-374. – Notification to City Council.

The department of land use and planning shall provide City Council copies of applications for any minor or major waterfront development within ten (10) business days of receipt of any such application.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor.

First Reading March 7, 2024
Second Reading March 7, 2024
Third Reading

Passed by City Council,

President of City Council

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor

SYNOPSIS: This Ordinance amends Chapter 48 of the City Code by adding procedures wherein the Department of Land Use and Planning will provide copies of application for building permits, demolitions, minor waterfront developments, and major waterfront

developments to City Council within ten (10) business days of receipt of any such application.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: TBD