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Memorandum 19-122

TO: MAYOR CASTNER AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: KATIE KOESTER, CITY MANAGER FROM: RICK ABBOUD AICP, CITY PLANNER

DATE: AUGUST 29, 2019

SUBJECT: MANUFACTURING IN THE GC1 & 2 DISTRICTS

It has come the attention of the Planning Commission that the current list of items in Homer City Code for manufacturing unreasonably limits activities in the GC1 and GC2 Districts.

The rules regarding use lists in code prohibits activities that are not part of the list. While several items are listed as a permitted use (electronic equipment, electrical devices, pottery, ceramics, musical instruments, toys, novelties, small molded products and furniture), other items such as food products are not listed and cannot be permitted in the same fashion.

The Planning Commission feels that the GC1 and GC2 Districts are appropriate locations for manufacturing activities. Regulations regarding nuisances and buffering along any adjoining residential district are found in current code.

After being part of the agenda in two meetings, the Commission held a public hearing at the August 21, 2019 meeting and approved a motion with unanimous consent to recommend to the City Council the adoption of the proposed ordinance.

Attachments:

Ordinance

Staff reports and corresponding meeting minutes