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MEMORANDUM

ORDINANCE INTERPRETATION

TO: Cal Market, Deputy County Manager

FROM: Derek CS Burr, Director Development Services

DATE: March 11, 2020

Regarding: Ordinance 1842 Interpretation

After being duly advertised, Ordinance 1842 was legally adopted by the County Commission on December 19, 2019, with an effective date of February 3, 2020.

For section 105.4 – Site Drawings, the sentence:

A survey of the property shall be provided, and all foundations shall be staked by the surveyor prior to the initial foundation inspection, unless this requirement is waived by the building official presentation of a plan clear showing that the structure will not be within 50 feet of the required setbacks

Shall be interpreted to mean "shall be staked by the surveyor or contractor" prior to the initial foundation inspection.

For section 106.3.1 – Permit Intent

A permit issued shall be constructed . . . Any permit issued shall become invalid unless the work authorized by it shall have been commenced within six (6) months after it issuance, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of six (6) months after the time the work is commenced; provided that for cause, one extension for a period not to exceed six (6) months can be granted. Where work is on-going, extensions of time for a period not exceeding six (6) can be granted. Where work is on-going, extensions of time for a period not exceeding six (6) months may be allowed in writing by the Building Official. However, the maximum number of extensions shall not exceed three (a total of 18 months). Work permitted under the initial permit shall be commenced within a two (2) year period. Work not completed within a two and one-hale (2 ½) year period shall require a new permit. Cost of the new permit shall be based upon the amount required to complete the project

Shall be interpreted to mean:

"... Any permit must have work started within six (6) months from the date of permit issuance. The Building Official may give extensions of time to complete permitted work beyond the initial six (6) months, but extensions shall not exceed 2 ½ years.

Any issued permit shall become void if work is suspended or abandoned for a period of six (6)

months from date of permit issuance. Any permit issued shall become void if work is suspended or abandoned for a period of six (6) months at any time during the construction of said project. Any expired or voided permit will require a new permit and associated fee to be applied for and issued to complete work. New permit(s) may need to comply with the currently adopted Building, Plumbing, Gas, Mechanical, or Electrical codes."