



To: Planning Commission
From: Elisa Rodriguez, Senior Planner
TOPIC: Periodic Update: MLMC amendments regarding Specialized Housing

Requested Action:

Hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to City Council for proposed amendments regarding specialized housing to the Medical Lake Municipal Code (MLMC).

Key Points:

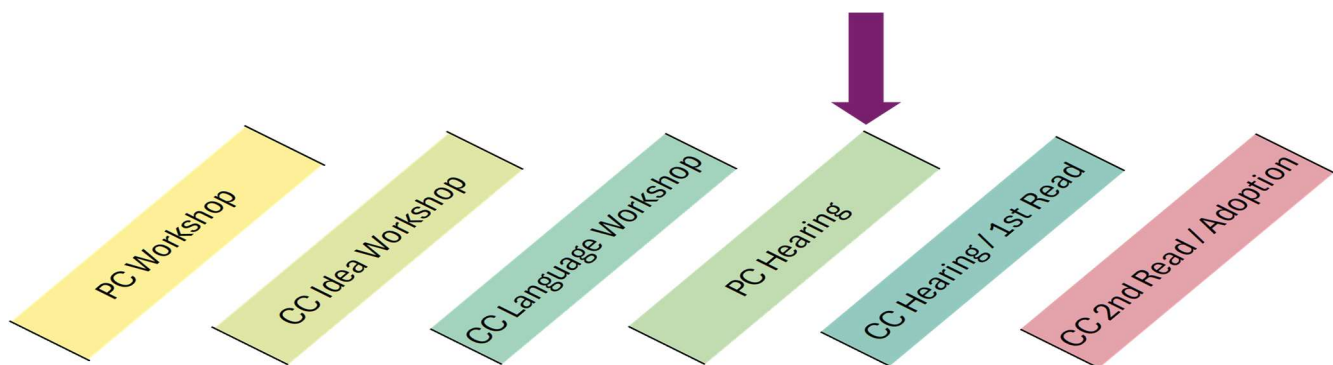
Staff requested the public hearing opened at the April 16, 2026 meeting be continued to allow time for a legal review to be completed.

A staff report is attached with the proposed language and the findings of fact related to the approval criteria. Recommendations of the Planning Commission must be based on the approval criteria specified in the Medical Lake Municipal Code.

Background Discussion:

The proposed amendments are in response to house bills 1220, 1377, 1956, and 2266 which mandate certain housing for homeless individuals and families or those at risk of homelessness be allowed within the City.

This public hearing is the fourth step in a 6-step process for adopting amendments to the municipal code.



Public Involvement:

A public hearing will be held with both the Planning Commission and the City Council. In addition, language will be provided on the City website for review and comment by the public.

Next Steps:

The Planning Commission's recommendation will be presented to the City Council for the public hearing held at the June 16, 2026 meeting.