



MEMORANDUM

P.O. Box 4100 ♦ FRISCO, COLORADO 80443

TO: MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: STACEY NELL, TOWN CLERK
RE: CODE REVIEW – PROPOSED SCHEDULE
DATE: JANUARY 9, 2024

Summary and Background: The Frisco Home Rule Charter, Article 3, Section 14 is titled “Ordinance Review” and reads: “(a)The Council shall review ordinances of a general and permanent nature adopted on or after the effective date of this Charter at least once every five (5) years after adoption for possible amendment or repeal.(b)The Council shall establish a schedule for reviewing all ordinances of a general and permanent nature which were adopted prior to the effective date of this Charter.(c)The failure to review any ordinance pursuant to this section shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the ordinance.”

Analysis: There are currently 36 chapters of [Town Code](#):

Chapter	Title
1	GENERAL PROVISIONS
4	BOARD OF APPEALS
6	ANNEXATION PROCEDURES
9	BIDDING PROCEDURES AND CONTRACT INFORMATION
10	COUNCILMEMBERS AND MAYOR
11	BUDGETARY PROCEDURES
13	CEMETERY MANAGEMENT
15	CODE OF ETHICS
17	MUNICIPAL COURT
18	MUNICIPAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
20	ELECTIONS
23	HOUSING AUTHORITY
25	INVESTMENTS
31	ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES
41	PLANNING COMMISSION
43	FRISCO ARTS AND CULTURE COUNCIL
53	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

61	BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS
65	BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING STANDARDS
79	DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS
87	EXCAVATIONS
97	FLOOD HAZARD AREAS
102	HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES
110	LICENSING OF BUSINESSES
124	PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY
129	ALARM BUSINESS
130	PARKS AND OPEN SPACE
140	DILLON RESERVOIR RECREATION AREA
141	ABANDONED AND UNCLAIMED PROPERTY
142	VACATION OF PROPERTY
153	SNOWMOBILES
155	STREETS AND PUBLIC WAYS
167	VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC
171	WATER
177	WRECKERS AND TOWING
180	UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE

In the attached “Proposed Code Review Schedule 2024-2028”, as Town Clerk I have divided Town Code into a quarterly review schedule over the next 5 years, meant to repeat cyclically in accordance with the Charter’s stipulation for regular review, to be established upon approval of this Town Council.

The purpose of this Code review is three-fold:

- Conformation of Code with State and Federal legislation and regulations, if necessary
- Updates in accordance with best practices in various professions/fields/responsibilities of a Municipal government organization
- Opportunities to implement diversity, equity and inclusion-driven language

Financial Impact: Staff time will certainly need to be dedicated to reviewing Code, and depending on the amount of changes needed to each Code Chapter, could have a financial impact if any additional Attorney costs need to be incurred to perform research and/or update Code.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Operating in accordance with the Town’s Charter is a fundamental purpose of the Town government as a whole, and is a particular focus of the Administration Department in its partnership with Town Council. While the Charter serves as the foundational legal document for the community and the municipal government structure that operates in its service, the Strategic Plan addresses the current direction of the Town Council. Woven throughout the [Strategic Plan](#), are statements that expect administrative functions like this Code Review to proceed, such as the Public Service Commitment to “Provide leadership, civility, efficiency, transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility to assure a thriving future for the Town of Frisco”, as well as the first Strategic Objective “Quality Core Services”

that commits Staff and Council to “providing timely and innovative core services...with professionalism”.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that Council approve this review schedule, for staff in partnership with the Town Clerk to review Code under their purview, and report on any necessary changes to Council within the designated quarter and year.

Reviews and Approvals: This report has been reviewed and approved by:
Thad Renaud, Town Attorney
Tom Fisher, Town Manager

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Proposed 5 Year Code Chapter Review Schedule (by Chapter)

Attachment 2 – Proposed 5 Year Code Chapter Review Schedule (Chronological)