

Councilor Blake introduced the following ordinance and moved for its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 26-04-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND UPDATING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 30 *LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS*

WHEREAS, from time to time, the City of Grand Rapids deems it important to review, and update, if necessary, its Zoning Ordinance (Land Development Regulations); and

WHEREAS, at their meeting on April 2, 2026, the Grand Rapids Planning Commission initiated the process to update and amend one section of the Zoning Ordinance (Land Development Regulations) identified by city staff; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission on April 2, 2026, took up consideration of draft amendments to Chapters 30, as prepared by staff, and found that the amendments were consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and would be in the best interest of public health, safety, and general welfare, and recommended that the City Council adopt the draft amendment to said portions of 30-512 Table 2A District Development Regulations; Principal Structures - of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted a public hearing on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., to consider the amendments to Chapter 30; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk presented the affidavit of publication of the notice of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has heard all persons who wished to be heard regarding the proposed text amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA, that it adopts the Planning Commission's following findings of fact relative to the amendment to Chapter 30 Land Development Regulations of the City Code:

- The amendment will not have an adverse effect on the character of neighborhoods – it only impacts current R-4 zoning.
- The amendments will have a positive impact on economic growth in the community by encouraging development.
- That the amendment to Chapter 30 would be in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Zoning Ordinance by maintaining an updated Ordinance based on Planning Commission variances.
- That the amendments would be in the best interest of the public by encouraging more housing.

- That the amendments would be consistent with the goals of the Comprehensive Plan, as the amendment will directly address the need for housing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA, that the amendments to the City Code are in the best interest of the public's health, safety, and general welfare, and hereby ordains that the Grand Rapids City Code be amended as follows: *R-4 Maximum Height (feet) 60'*

This Ordinance shall become effective after its passage and publication.

ADOPTED AND PASSED BY THE City Council of the City of Grand Rapids on the 27th day of April 2026.

Tasha Connelly, Mayor

Tasha Connelly, Mayor (May 1, 2026 10:14:20 CDT)

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Attest:

Kimberly Gibeau

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk



Councilor MacGregor seconded the foregoing ordinance and the following voted in favor thereof: Mertes, MacGregor, Blake, Connelly. Opposed: None, whereby the ordinance was declared duly passed and adopted.